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BRITISH GUNBOATS ENACT REPRISALS.

VILLAGES ON WEST RIVER FIRED AND SHELLED.

KOCHOW AFFAIR SEQUEL.

For the second time within a week, British naval forces have taken punitive action against Chinese pirates who have carrived out piracies against ships trading out of this port.

On Saturday morning, three British gunboats visited the villages known to have harboured the large pirate gang which boarded the s.s. Kochow which was pirated on Thursday, and, as will seen from the official report below, took strong action against these haunts. In one case a waterfront row of houses was set on fire, and, in the other case, a number of shells were fired with the idea of demolishing the houses from which the pirates had operated.

CHINESE SOLDIERS ALSO ACT.

Following promptly on the outrage by West River pirates who attacked and looted the s.s. Kochow and murdered the Chief Engineer, Mr. R. Black, during the vessel's last trip to Wuchow, the British naval authorities in the Delta took punitive measures against two villages on the river on Saturday morning.

These villages were Tai Ping Hu and Shek Ki, the waterfront of the first named, with the buildings thereon, being set on fire, whilst sixteen rounds were fired into Shek Ki. It had been known that both places sheltered pirates and it had been established that in regard to those at Tai Ping Hu they had been concerned in three piratical attacks which had taken place on the West River.

Told to Evacuate.

The ships engaged in the operations were H.M.S. Cicala, Moth and Moorhen, and the Senior Naval Officer of the West River (Commander Fitzerald) was in charge on board the Moth.

It is understood that immediately on the arrival of the flotilla the inhabitants of both villages were warned to evacuate as punitve measures were about to be commenced.

The houses on the water front at Tai Ping Hu, which is some distance below Samshui, were then set on fire, and, passing a little way further down and on the opposite side, the ships fired sixteen rounds into Shek Ki.

The operations were carried out without a hitch and so far as is known there were no casualties.

Chinese Soldiers.

A report has been received by the naval authorities that 200 Chinese soldiers from Plover Island base were landed at First Cliffs with the object of rounding up the pirates who took part in the recent attack against the Kochow.

Village Where Loot was Landed.

British Naval operations by the West River Flotilla were carried out on Saturday against the villages of Tai Ping Hu and Shekki. At Tai Ping Hu, the village from which the pirates came, the population was warned to evacuate and the water front of the village was then set on fire. At Shek Ki, the village at which the loot was landed, the population also evacuated, and shells were fired into the village. There were no British, and it is believed no Chinese casualties.—*Naval Wireless.*

"TELEGRAPH" SERIAL STORY.

A MYSTERY TALE BY EDGAR WALLACE.

In accordance with the most modern newspaper practice, The *Telegraph* has decided to publish daily, beginning next Monday, a serial story by one of the best-known contemporary authors of detective fiction—Edgar Wallace

No introduction is needed to this author's work which comprises a large number of excellent novels that have proved most popular with all readers of the Eglish language.

The story, which will begin on Monday next, is entitled "My Lady" and is advertised as being "a detective tale with a difference." The tale is full of action from start to finish, with a strong theme of mystery and a dramatic culmination. The characters in the plot are always real, and one of the finest mystery stories, full of vigour, colour and movement, it keeps the reader intensely interested to the final chapter.

The story will be published in 26 instalments; beginning on Monday next.

The B. I. s.s. Talamba is due here from Amoy this afternoon.

STOP PRESS.

AMERICAN COLONEL'S SUICIDE.

Shanghai, Sept. 5.

Colonel Charles Hill, commanding the Fourth Regiment of United States Marines, at Shanghai, committed suicide this morning.

He is reported to have been suffering from ill-health.

Colonel F. D. Kilgore assumes command in his place.

Death of Admiral Kato.

The death is reported from Japan of Admiral Baron Sadakichi Kato, who was commander of the Japanese naval forces at the siege of Tsingtao in the late war.—*Reuter.*

ROUND-THE-WORLD FLIGHT.

AMERICANS REACH INDIA.

Karachi, Sept. 4.

The aeroplane "Pride of Detroit" has arrived here, with the Americans, Brock and Schlee, who are on a flight round the world.—*Reuter.*

C.N.C. DISPUTE'S NEW PHASE.

COMPANY TO DEAL DIRECT WITH MEN.

MEMORANDUM TO GUILDS.

With regard to the report that the China Navigation Company had threatened to deal direct with the men and not with the Guilds if their demands were not complied with by Wednesday, the *Telegraph* understands that this is substantially correct.

It appears that the Company has issued a memorandum to the Guilds giving details of conferences held in Shnghai, and their intention to deal direct with the men is made known in this memorandum.

It is important to note, however, that both sides had agreed to call a further conference in Shanghai on September 6, which is a day before the Company's intention to deal with the men comes into force. This conference may have an important bearing on subsequent developments.

In the event of no change being reported in the situation following to-morrow's conference, it is to be assumed that the Company will carry out its expressed intention. The question arises, of course, whether the officers will allow themselves to be treated individually. They are members of a Guild which up to the moment has represented them in the dispute and it may be that if approached they will refer the Company to the Guilds.

INTERNATIONAL AIR MEETING.

SCANDINAVIAN SUCCESSES.

Copenhagen, Sept. 4.

French, British, Danish and Swedish machines were included in the thirty aeroplanes that competed in an international air meeting here, before 100,000 spectators, comprising speed, altitude and manoeuvre flights.

The three speed races were won respectively by Lersen (Denmark), Lindner (Sweden), and Arrachart (France).

Erlind (Denmark) was looping the loop when he crashed, and his machine was destroyed, Erlind escaping with a broken leg.—*Reuter.*

COURTNEY IS STILL UNLUCKY.

BAD WEATHER HINDERS FLIGHT.

London, Sept. 4.

Captain Courtney, who left Plymouth yesterday for the Azores with a navigator, a mechanic, and Mr. Elwood Hosmer, a Canadian passenger, on the first stage in the westward trans-Atlantic flight, encountered bad weather, with strong headwinds, and descended at Corunna, in Spain.

He will continue when the weather improves.—*British Wireless.*

LEAGUE FINANCE COMMITTEE.

AN AMERICAN APPOINTED.

Geneva, Sept. 4.

The Council of the League of Nations has appointed Mr. Jeremiah Smith, of Boston, a member of the financial committee of the League.

Mr. Smith is a former commissioner of the League organisation which, a few years ago, was appointed in connexion with financial reconstruction problem in Europe after the war.—*Reuter.*

TO-DAY.

Dollar on demand	1/11 7/16
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ORE CASE ENDS.

JUDGMENT FOR THE DEFENDANTS.

ANTIMONY WITH OXIDE.

The case in which the London firm of Messrs. John Batt and Co., Ltd., sued Messrs. Silva-Netto and Co., exporters, of Hongkong, for $852 damages in respect of an alleged breach of contract for the sale of 75 tons of Chinese antimony sulphide ore, entered upon the concluding stages this morning, before the acting Pulsne Judge, Mr. P. Jacks, in the Summary Court.

The shipment was re-sold to Messrs Hallett and Sons, who claimed an allowance on the ground that the ore contained an unduly large percentage of oxide. It was not disputed that the ore contained the correct percentage of antimony.

Mr. L. R. Andrewes was for the plaintiff, and Mr. C. G. Alabaster, K.C., for the defence.

Under cross-examination this morning by Mr. Andrewes, Mr. Silva-Netto asked leave to explain, with regard to an answer given at the end of the last hearing on Friday, that when he said he was content for the contract between Messrs. Batt and Messrs. Hallett to be arbitrated upon, this was on the assumption that the plaintiffs sold the ore to their buyers under a contract identical in every respect with his contract with them. It would be preposterous to suppose that he would be willing to have any other contract arbitrated upon.

Defendant agreed that the antimony contents of the ore were never in dispute. The amount of antimony that had to be present was between 55 and 50 per cent. It was agreed that that percentage of antimony had been supplied, and the only dispute arose in connexion with the sulphide, whether it was good merchantable sulphide or not.

Was It Merchantable?

Mr. Andrewes put it to the defendant that the ore contained such a large percentage of oxide that it was removed from the category of good sulphide.

With regard to the arbitration, which took place to settle the dispute, defendant said he did not actually instruct the plaintiffs to put the matter before an arbitrator, as to whether or not it was good merchantable sulphide.

Mr. Andrewes: But you did.

He went on to refer to the correspondence, part of which, he contended, showed that the defendant did issue such instructions.

Addressing his Lordship Mr. Andrewes referred to the terms of the contract on which the goods were bought. They were bought, he said, by a contract for delivery at Home. That was where they were to be delivered. They were never bought as they lay in Hongkong, and therefore the question as to what the goods consisted of out here was quite irrelevant. His Lordship would recollect that he (Mr. Andrewes) objected to the evidence of the experts on Friday last week, because he claimed it it had already been settled in a way indicated by the defendant himself.

His Lordship: Has it been settled? The point is whether the material was good sulphide.

Mr. Andrewes replied that it was to be delivered in London, and therefore the question as to whether it was good out here did not matter.

Mr. Jacks remarked that the fact that the defendant had sent the goods on the certificate of an analyst, seemed to be in his favour, showing that he did his best. If it had deteriorated to a certain extent by the time it reached London, it would have to depreciate twelve or more per cent. to come below the percentage required for the good merchantable ore in London.

Expert Evidence.

Mr. Andrewes suggested that his Lordship should not be influenced by the evidence of the experts, as it was not admissible. The defendant was the seller and he had taken samples, not in the presence of the buyer. He then said, "I know this ore is good, and you must take it." No buyer was going to place himself in that position. He was not going to buy from a man under those circumstances.

Answering his Lordship, defendant said there were always veins of

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BRITISH FINANCE IS STEADY.

COST OF LIVING SHOWS BIG REDUCTION.

CHANCELLOR OPTIMISTIC.

London, Sept. 4.

The Chancellor of the Exchange, Mr. Winston Churchill, speaking in Scotland yesterday, said that the national finances, despite last year's industrial up-heaval, had stood the strain.

"We shall come through the consequences of that trouble without having to reimpose any of the £40,000,000 of direct taxation remitted by the present Government in 1925, or any of the £20,000,000 of indirect taxation remitted by the Labour Government in 1924. There is every expectation that we shall be able to provide every penny of our debts under the sinking fund all of the immense total of £65,000,000 set apart for that purpose this year."

These financial facts had economic reactions upon the life of the nation. The most notable had been the steady diminution in the cost of living, by nearly one-third, which meant an extension of real wages, and which lightened pressure in every home throughout the country.

As for the housing problem, before Parliament completed its course in 1929, one million new houses, accommodating five or six million persons, would have been constructed, with State assistance, during the life of the present Government.—*British Wireless.*

SOVIET STILL FEARS OTHER NATIONS.

WARSAW INCIDENT AS "PROOF."

Moscow, Sept. 4.

Public opinion has been aroused by the shooting incident at Warsaw, when a Russian who sought a passport, and attacked a minor official at the Soviet Legation with a knife, was shot dead by the latter.

The *Isvestia* regards the occurrence as "a new link in the systematic campaign to provoke new complications with the object of frustrating the recently-opened Polish-Russian negotiations," and declares that this interpretation is confirmed by other circumstances, especially the alarming reports of the creation of an anti-Soviet alliance at Geneva.—*Reuter.*

THE WORLD'S COTTON CONSUMPTION.

AMERICAN PRODUCT HAS BETTER DEMAND.

London, Sept. 4.

The International Federation of Master Cottonspinners Associations state that the world's cotton consumption for the year ended July 31 was 25,882,000 bales, compared with 24,681,000 the previous year.

The consumption of American cotton was 15,777,000 bales, being an increase of 2,047,000 bales; of East Indian cotton 5,197,000, a decrease of 375,000; of Egyptian 1,007,000, an increase of 86,000; and of sundries 3,901,000, a decrease of 557,000.—*Reuter.*

LONDON-INDIA RADIO SERVICE.

CHEAPER RATES THAN BY CABLE.

London, Sept. 4.

The Anglo-Indian Beam Wireless Service opens for public traffic on Tuesday.

It places London in direct wireless communication with Bombay, and will be available for telegrams to all destinations in India, Burma, Ceylon, the Persian Gulf and Siam.

In addition to a reduction in the rates for public traffic, the beam service offers a reduced rate of two pence half-penny a word for Press messages.—*British Wireless.*

NORTH'S DEFEAT CONFIRMED.

NATIONALISTS RE-CROSS YANGTSZE.

FOUR GENERALS CAPTURED AND EXECUTED.

WOOSUNG FORTS SHELLED.

A feature of the China news over the week-end is the confirmation of a big Southern victory on the Yangtsze, and the taking of large numbers of Northern prisoners. A Chinese message received to-day states that the Southerners have crossed the river in pursuit of the Northern troops, and have advanced as far as Yangchow.

The Northerners have apparently evacuated Pukow. General Sun Chuan-fang is said to be preparing to make a stand further north. Meanwhile it is reported from Nanking, where there are 10,000 prisoners concentrated, that four of the captured Northern Generals have been executed.

Five shells have been fired, apparently by Northern warships, at the Woosung forts, but no damage has been done thereby.

Shanghai has given a hearty farewell to the Indian troops who are being withdrawn, following the recent decision to reduce the China defence force. Meanwhile, Communist agitators at Hankow have cabled to British Communists urging a demonstration in London for the purpose of getting all the British forces sent home.

HANKOW REDS CABLE TO LONDON.

Nanking, Sept. 3.

The Southern victory below Nanking is confirmed by Chinese and large numbers of Northern prisoners have been brought into the city.

Wuhan troops are reported to be arranging to attack lines of communication set up by the Northerners through Anhwei.—*Naval Wireless.*

SHOTS AT WOOSUNG.

Five Shells Fall Nearby.

Shanghai, Sept. 5.

Although five shells fell in the vicinity of Woosung forts on September 3, there were no casualties.—*Reuter.*

FOUR GENERALS SHOT.

North Evacuates Pukow.

Nanking, Sept. 5.

About 10,000 Northern prisoners are at present at Nanking.

It is reported that four Northern generals were shot yesterday, including General Li Pao-chang.

The Northerners apparently have evacuated Pukow, and the Southerners are planning crossing to the north bank above and below Nanking.

General Sun Chuan-fang is reported to be concentrating at Tungchow.—*Reuter.*

DEPARTING TROOPS.

Tribute to Indian Forces.

London, Sept. 4.

When the Indian regiments of the Jhansi Brigade, who were the first British troops to arrive at Shanghai as part of the defence force, left that port for India yesterday, they received an international send-off.

General appreciation has been widely expressed of their services during severe winter and in extremely trying circumstances, when the Settlement was in danger of being over-run by defeated Chinese soldiers.

Yesterday, American marines, Japanese troops and civilians cheered the departing troops enthusiastically from the wharf.—*British Wireless.*

HANKOW WIRES LONDON.

Urges Communist Protest.

Hankow, Sept. 3.

It is reported that Communist agents here have cabled to London to arrange demonstrations there urging the withdrawal of British troops from China.—*Naval Wireless.*

HANKOW AND NANKING.

The Agreement Complete.

Shanghai, Sept. 5.

General Ho Ying-ching entertained the public organization representatives on Saturday last. In a course of his speech General Ho gave a report about the Co-operation of the Hankow and Nanking Governments, declaring that the reconciliation of the two parties is complete.

Generals Ho Ying-ching, Li Chung-yuen and Pei Chung-hsi promised to co-operate against the Northern Party, and urged the people to give a financial help to the newly-formed Northern Expedition.

It is reported that Mr. T. V. Soong arrived at Chinkiang on the morning of the 4th instant. The 14th Army continued to cross the river on Saturday evening, at Chinkiang, and part of the 18th Army was also reported as crossing the river at the same time.

The latest report states that the vanguards of the 1st and 7th Army, have reached Yangchow.—*Nam Chung Pao.*

FIGHT FOR LUNGTAN.

Shanghai Chief's Warning.

A proclamation informing the public of the successful repulse of the surprise attack upon the Nationalist armies attempted by Sun Chuan-fang, and warning the people against rumour-mongers was issued at Shanghai last week by Gen. Pei Chung-hsi. A translation of the proclamation by the Kuo Min News Agency is given below.

"The anti-revolutionary Sun Chuan-fang, under cover of the fog, crossed the river and attempted a surprise attack upon our army. His army was promptly surrounded by the 1st and 7th Revolutionary armies and was summarily killed and disarmed, resulting in the recovery of the Lungtan Station and the Chiya Hill.

"Yet, there are still many enemy spies and anti-revolutionaries at large here in Shanghai, circulating various disquieting rumours with the view of disturbing public peace.

"The Nationalist Revolutionary Armies, be it known, animated by the high idealism that they avow are ever vigilant and alert, and are capable of coping with any emergency. Such feeble attempts on the part of the militarists are indicative of the extent of their capability, and after having sustained this severe reverse, it hardly seems possible that they can long survive.

"The public therefore need not be disturbed by such mendacious rumours, nor allow itself to be

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LATE MRS. MACASKILL.

LARGELY ATTENDED FUNERAL ON SATURDAY.

The funeral of Mrs. Macaskill, wife of Mr. K. R. Macaskill, of the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock, who died at the French Hospital on Friday, took place on Saturday afternoon, in the presence of a large gathering of friends and sympathisers, many of whom were from Kowloon.

The remains were interred at the Protestant cemetery, Happy Valley, the officiating minister being the Rev. J. Kirk Maconachie.

The principal mourners were Mr. K. R. Macaskill, Mr. W. J. Rattey, and Mr. G. H. Cuthill, of Kowloon Dock.

Those attending included Mr. and Mrs. T. Grimshaw, Taikoo Dock, Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Hyndman, Mr. and Mrs. D. F. Warren, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Hoare, Mr. and Mrs. J. Lindsay; Mr. and Mrs. S. Gray, Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Saint, (Naval Dockyard), Mr. J. Crookdake, Mr. J. McLeod, Mr. A. M. Simpson, Mr. D. S. Neilson, Mr. J. C. Brown, Mr. D. Keith, Mr. W. Forsyth, Mr. C. Atkinson, Mr. J. Puncheon, Mr. R. Goodman, Mr. H.G. Cooper, Mr. E. L. Hosie, Mr. J. O. McLaggan, Mr. R. Lapsley, Mr. J. Hyde, Mr. J. McCubbin, Mr. J. Michell, Mr. Baker, Mr. Bunje, Mr. C. R. Logan, Mr. A.T. Hamilton, Mr. J. McIntyre, Mr. W. Hedley, Mr. W.J. Bickford, (Naval Yard).

Mr. M. Drummond, Mr. W. Weir, and Mr. W. Wotherspoon (Taikoo Dock).

The Wreaths.

Amongst the many wreaths sent were those from the following: Sorrowing Husband, Mother and Sisters, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Rattey, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Bickford, Mr. and Mrs. J.P. Robinson, Mr. and Mrs. J. Colin Owen, Mr. and Mrs. G. Gerrard, Mr. and Mrs. G. Morrison, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. C. Robson, Mr. and Mrs. Clark Atkinson, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Ramsay and family, Mr. and Mrs. W. Goldenberg, Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Ramsay, Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Vellenger, Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Logan, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Millard, Mr. and Mrs. J. Crookdake, Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Brown, Mr. and Mrs. D. Harvey, Mr. and Mrs. T. Grimshaw, Mr. and Mrs. J.D. Provan, Mr. and Mrs. Kempton, Mr. and Mrs. A.W. Bliss, Babs, Eileen and Sonnie.

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The Kowloon Dock Staff, The Dock Company Typists, Head Office, Kowloon, Chinese Office Staff, Head Office, Kowloon Docks, General Office Boys, Head Office, Kowloon Docks, and Members Kowloon Cricket Club.

CHINA WAR.

THE WEEK-END TELEGRAMS.

Peking, Sept. 3.

Foreign messages state that Chu Yu-pu is penetrating into Honan and that Feng Yu-hsiang's troops are withdrawing to Kaifeng.

Sun Chuan-fang has returned to Pengpu in order to discuss the situation with the Chili and Shantung Generals.

It is believed that Sun Chuan-fang may next attack Hofei and Anhui, which is still reported to be in Nationalist hands, abandoning attempts to cross the Yangtse for the present.—*Reuter.*

Nationalists Concentrating

Shanghai, Sept. 3.

Nationalist troops are concentrating at Chinkiang and are ready to cross the Yangtsze.

Troops from Hankow are moving down to Nanking. So far only five divisions have arrived.—*Wah Kiu Yat Po.*

Woosung Forts Shelled.

Shanghai, Sept. 4.

According to Chinese reports, a Northern aeroplane this afternoon attempted to demolish the Kiangnan Arsenal, dropping four bombs.

Two fell in the Whampoo, one in the compound of a soap factory and the fourth in the arsenal yard. One workman was injured, but not seriously, and otherwise there was no damage. Work, however, was suspended in the Arsenal.

Four Northern gunboats this afternoon shelled the Woosung Fort, which replied to the fire, about twenty shells being exchanged altogether. The firing caused no damage, and the gunboats steamed away.—*Reuter.*

Shanghai, Sept. 3.

An attack on the Woosung forts was made this afternoon by three Northern cruisers. About twenty rounds were fired by each side. No hits were observed and the cruisers retired.—*Naval Wireless.*

Mr. MacMurray Going Home to Report.

Washington, Sept. 4.

Pres. Coolidge expects Mr. MacMurray, the Minister to China, shortly to return to the United States to report on Chinese conditions.—*Reuter's American Service.*

SOVIET MANIFESTO.

ENERGETIC PROTEST BY THE FRENCH GOVERNMENT.

Paris, Sept. 3.

The papers announce that, replying to an energetic protest on behalf of the French Government against Comdr. Rakowski, he having signed a manifesto of the Third International urging the Soviet to revert to a policy of world revolution, M. Chicherin has disavowed the Ambassador.—*Havas.*

A Second Protest.

Paris, Sept. 4.

The recent action of M. Rakowski, Soviet Ambassador to Paris, in signing a manifesto promising Russian support to a world revolution led the French Government to protest to M. Chicherin who replied that Rakowski signed the manifesto merely as a member of the Russian Communist Party and not as Soviet Ambassador.

The reply did not satisfy the French Government which has re-protested in the most forcible manner with the result that Chicherin has written a letter to the French Ambassador to Moscow very clearly disavowing the attitude of Rakowski.

A section of the French Press however continues to demand that Rakowski leave France.—*Reuter.*

THE TATE GALLERY.

SIR JOSEPH DUVEEN'S LATEST OFFER.

London, Sept. 4.

Sir Joseph Duveen has offered to complete the modern foreign gallery at Millbank which was opened last year by H.M. the King by building an additional gallery for modern foreign sculpture. His offer has been accepted by the Treasury and by the Trustees of the Tate Gallery and building will shortly be begun on a vacant site behind the present galleries.

The building which H.M. the King opened last year was erected through the generosity of Sir Joseph Duveen. It consists of four large galleries on the main floor, three being devoted to modern foreign works and one to works by Sargent, and five basement galleries particularly suitable for watercolour and other drawings.

A gallery for modern foreign sculpture was needed to complete the modern foreign gallery and it is this Sir Joseph Duveen will now provide.—*British Wirless.*

NON-AGGRESSION.

SUGGESTION TO OUTLAW WAR COMES FROM POLAND.

Paris, Sept. 4.

Despite the recent denial of one of the Polish representatives at Geneva of the rumour that Poland will propose a general pact of non-aggression at the League meeting at Geneva, "Pertinax" declares that the project has already been communicated to the British and French Governments.

Poland will suggest the drawing up of a declaration outlawing war. Signature to the declaration will be voluntary but any Power signing will be bound to keep peace with co-signatories. No special guarantees are mentioned.

The French Cabinet examined the proposal on Friday and M. Briand discussed it yesterday with Herr Stresemann, who did not condemn the idea. It is therefore considered probable that M. Briand will adopt the proposal and submit it in his own name.—*Reuter.*

THE SALE OF POPPIES.

RECORD SUM COLLECTED LAST YEAR.

London, Sept. 4.

Lord Haig states that the record sum of £435,000 was collected by the sale of poppies on the one day last year.

Since Poppy Day was instituted in 1921 £1,749,000 has been raised on behalf ex-service men's charities. Last year's figure was an increase of £40,000 on the previous year, and the public response has steadily grown annually. Administrative expenses are under five per cent.—*British Wireless.*

SOLDIERS CHARGED.

PRIVATES OF WELCH REGIMENT FINED.

Privates E. Wood and J. Copeland of the Welch Regiment were charged before Mr. W. Schofield at the Kowloon Magistracy on Saturday with common assault and with using insulting language towards the complainant, Miss A. Soloman. The defendants were alleged to have met the complainant in Austin Road on Friday night. The first defendant was stated to have slapped her.

After hearing the evidence his Worship convicted Wood of a technical assault and imposed a fine of $1, while the second defendant was found to have been the more prominent in insulting the complainant. He was fined $10.

TRAIN DERAILMENT.

DELIBERATE ATTEMPT AT WRECKAGE.

Paris, Sept. 3.

The Paris-Orleans Company announce that none of the passengers in the train wrecked at Tours were injured.—*Reuter.*

Trains Collide in U. S.

Princeton, Indiana, Sept. 4.

Four passengers were killed and 12 injured in a railway accident near here when a westbound Southern Railway passenger train collided with a coal train.—*Reuter's American Service.*

LEAGUE AND HEALTH.

WORK COMMENDED BY JAPANESE.

Geneva, Sept. 4.

At a meeting of the Council of the League, Mr. Adatci, of Japan, read a report of a meeting of hygiene experts regarding the protection of infants, expressing warm appreciation of the League's health section and urging that meetings should be held in connexion with it outside Europe.

Mr. Chamberlain said everyone realised that the League must become a reality in the eyes of the people outside Europe, but meetings of the League Council outside Europe, for example in America or Japan, might be difficult.

The Council adjourned after adopting a report of the International Conference on the establishment of an international relief union.—*Reuter.*

THE CHANNEL.

TWIN SISTERS ATTEMPT TO SWIM ACROSS.

Boulogne, Sept. 3.

The thirteen-year old American twins, Phyllis and Bernice Zitenfeld have started a Channel swim from Cap Grisnez. The sisters are escorted by two tugs in order that if one gives up the other is enabled to continue.—*Reuter.*

Another Woman.

A third woman Channel aspirant, Mrs. Marriott, has started from Cap Grisnez.—*Reuter.*

All Give up Later.

The Zitenfeld twins and Jane Darwin have given up their Channel attempts.—*Reuter.*

FACTORY DISASTER.

THIRTEEN DEATHS IN EXPLOSION.

Buenos Aires, Sept. 3.

Thirteen were killed and two seriously injured, mostly young women and children in the explosion.—*Reuter's American Service.*

TO VISIT ROME.

LONDON'S CIVIC DIGNITARIES ACCEPT INVITATION.

London, Sept. 4.

In response to an invitation from the Governor of Rome, the Lord Mayor of London and the Lady Mayoress, with the Sheriffs and their wives, will visit the Italian capital at the end of this month.—*British Wireless.*

MEXICO'S POLITICS.

OBREGON TO STAND FOR PRESIDENCY.

Mexico City, Sept. 3.

The Mexican labour party, at a convention unanimously endorsed ex-President Obregon's candidature for the presidency.—*Reuter's American Service.*

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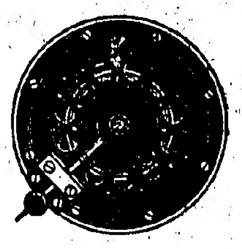

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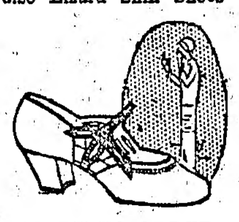

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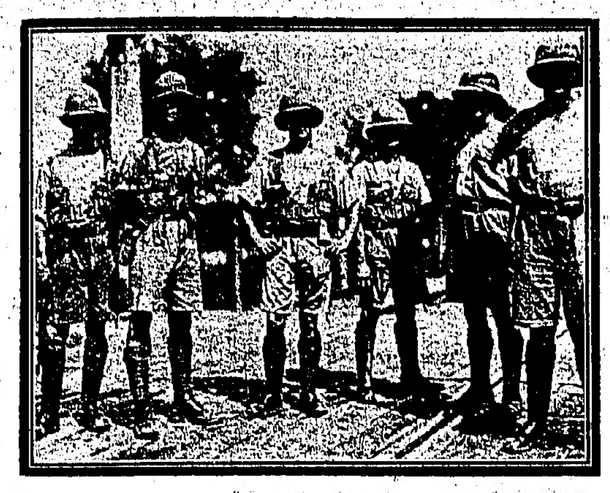
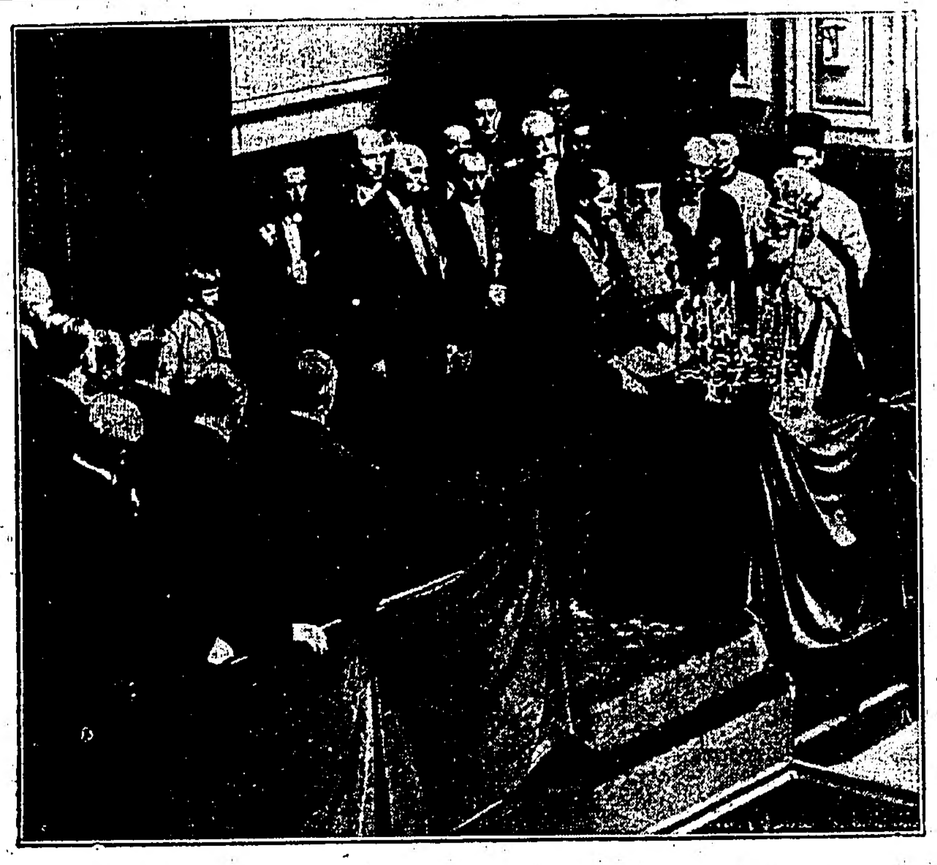
FILIPINO BASEBALLERS.—Photograph shows the Filipino footballers who went to Shanghai from Manila for participation in the Far Easter Olympic Games, after playing in Hongkong.



READY FOR WORK.—British Tommies at the Jessfield Road railway crossing, Shanghai, where the outposts were again occupied, following the detention temporarily, by Chinese troops, of parts of a British aeroplane.



RUMANIA'S REGENTS TAKE THE OATH OF ALLEGIANCE.—The five-year-old King Michael watching the ceremony on the afternoon of his grandfather's death, at which the three Regents who are to govern Rumania during his minority took the oath of allegiance at a joint session of the Senate and the Chamber of Deputies in Bucharest. (*Times* copyright).

SHANGHAI GIRL GUIDE COMMISSIONER.—Mrs. Bunce, who has been associated with Girl Guides in Shanghai for many years, left on the P. and O. s.s. Rawalpindi for a holiday at home. A detachment of Girl Guides, representing various Shanghai companies, was on the jetty to see her off.

DANCE ON REVENUE CRUISER.—A very successful dinner dance, given by the Commanders and Officers of the Revenue Cruisers, was held last month on board the Revenue Cruiser "Hai Hsing," at Shanghai. The hostess of the evening was Mrs. W. T. Berkbeck-Terry, wife of the senior commander of the service.

STEEL MAGNATE.—It it rumoured that Mr. Alfred P. Sloan may leave his position as president of General Motors as successor to the late Judge Gary, of the U S. Steel Corporation.

BORDER REGIMENT DINNER.—Picture taken at a dinner of the officers of the Combined Battalions (1st and 2nd), Border Regiment, at Shanghai, before the departure of the Second Battalion for Tientsin. The presence in Shanghai of the 1st and 2nd Battalions of the Borders was the first time in the history of this regiment that both Battalions have served together in the some station.

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Programme of Organ Recital
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Sonata — Mendelssohn
(Choral and Variations on "Our Father.")
Violin Solos, Air on G. String, Bach
Romance — Max Bruch
By Mrs. H. Balean
Prelude & Fugue in C. Minor. — Bach.
Rundgesang, Sylvesterlied, Selected — Schumann.
Postlude — Silas.

Collection for Organ Fund.

HONGKONG ST. ANDREW'S SOCIETY.

The Annual General Meeting of the above Society will be held in the City Hall, on **Friday, 16th September, 1927, at 5.45 p.m.** for the purpose of receiving the Annual Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st August, of electing office-bearers for the ensuing year, etc.

P. TOD,
Joint. Hon. Secretary.

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

Draft Programmes and Entry Forms for the Sixth Extra Race Meeting to be held on **Saturday, 8th October, 1927, and Monday, 10th October, 1927,** (weather permitting) may be obtained at the Race Course, Hongkong Club and Causeway Bay Stables.

Entries will close at **twelve o'clock noon on Saturday 24th September, 1927.**

HONGKONG FOOTBALL LEAGUE.

The Management Committee of the above League will meet at Volunteer Headquarters (By kind permission), on **Tuesday, September 6th, at 5.30 p.m.** to make arrangements for the League competitions for the coming season. Club Secretary's are invited to be present.

W. E. HOLLANDS,
Hon. Secretary.

HONGKONG CLUB.

NOTICE.

The Seventh Yearly Drawing of 20 Debentures (1920 issue—$500. each) of the Hongkong Club, payable on **Friday, the 30th September, 1927,** will be held in the Club House, at 11 **o'clock a.m., on Thursday, the 8th September, 1927.**

Bearers of Debentures are invited to attend the Drawing.

By Order,
A. H. ABBAS,
Acting Secretary.
Hongkong, 27th August, 1927.

HONGKONG CLUB.

NOTICE.

In terms of Debenture Conditions Nos. 12, 13 and 14, Notice is hereby given that the Drawing of 20 Additional Debentures (1920 issue—$500. each) of the Hongkong Club, payable on **Saturday, the 31st March, 1928,** will be held in the Club House, at **11 o'clock, a.m., on Thursday, the 8th September, 1927,** immediately after the Seventh Yearly Drawing of 20 Debentures.

Bearers of Debentures are invited to attend the Drawing.

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Hongkong, 27th August, 1927.

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Classes are held at Chartered Bank Building (First Floor) from 1.15 to 2.15 p.m., and each student has the services of a personal teacher in addition to lessons in class.

Those desirous of learning colloquial CANTONESE are invited to communicate with the undersigned.

M. F. KEY,
Secretary,
General Chamber of Commerce.
Hongkong, August 25, 1927.

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The Steamship,

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No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after 12th Sept., 1927, will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before 19th September, 1927, on they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods, are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on any Tuesdays or Fridays, between the hours of 10.45 a.m. and noon, within the Free Storage period of one week.

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LAMMERT'S AUCTIONS.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

The Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction,

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At H. M. Naval Depot, Kowloon.

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The Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction on,

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Catalogue will be issued.

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Hongkong, Sept. 4, 1927.

LIFE TO SAVE A BOY.

UNKNOWN MAN'S DIVE INTO THAMES.

An unknown Londoner lost his life recently when trying to rescue a 6-year-old boy who had fallen into the Thames near Westminster Bridge, the boy being saved by a river police boat.

Hundreds of people saw the drama.

The boy, William Lane, of Brook-street, Kennington, S.E., was playing on the steps near the County Hall terrace with a 5-years-old boy, Reginald Delhommne.

When he saw his playmate fell into the river Delhommne ran up the steps shouting for help, while the crew of a tug who saw the accident sounded their syren as an alarm.

Mr. William Edward Grout, of Avenue-road, Camberwell, S.E., who saw the events which followed, said to a *Daily Mail* reporter:

A man was sitting on one of the terrace seats when the alarm was raised. He ran to the steps, took off his hat and coat and dived in. He appeared to reach the boy but could not hold him. Meanwhile a river police boat came along and rescued the boy, who could be seen bobbing about in the water. Whether the man could not swim very much or was seized with cramp is uncertain, but he threw up his arms and disappeared after shouting "Help."

The river police returned to the Embankment steps, apparently not knowing that a second person was still in the water, although dozens of eye-witnesses said they shouted, "There's another one."

Returning a few minutes later in the boat, the police began dragging operations, which they continued for two hours, but no trace of the man, said to be aged between 20 and 30, could be found.

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Manila	Emp. of Asia	September 12.
Shanghai	Devanha	September 16.
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For	Per	Time.
Shanghai	Chipshing	Mon., Sept. 5. 3.30 p.m.
Manila	Pres. Grant	Mon., Sept. 5, 4.30 p.m.
Samshui and Wuchow	Taihing	Mon., Sept. 5, 4.30 p.m.
Amoy	Tilawa	Mon., Sept. 5, 5 p.m.
Amoy	Anhui	Mon., Sept. 5, 5 p.m.
Shanghai	Korea Maru	Tues., Sept. 6, 8.30 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Hai Yang	Tues., Sept. 6, noon
*Straits and Calcutta	Kutsang	Tues., Sept. 6, Parcels Noon. Letters 1 p.m.
Bangkok	Hermod	Tues., Sept. 6, 2 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles	Perseus	Tues., Sept. 6, Registration 1.45 p.m. Letters 2.30 p.m. (Due Marseilles 7th October.)
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., C. and S. America and *Europe via Victoria, B.C. and Europe via Siberia	Pres. Jefferson	Tues., Sept. 6. Parcels 3.00 p.m. Registration 4.15 p.m. Letters 5 p.m. (Due Victoria, B.C. 26th September).
Amoy	Tilawa	Tues., Sept. 6, 5 p.m.
Swatow	Chaksang	Wed., Sept. 7, 8.30 a.m.
Swatow and Amoy	Van Heutsz	Wed., Sept. 7, 1.30 p.m.
Shanghai	Yuensang	Thurs., Sept. 8, 8.30 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Deli Maru	Thurs., Sept. 8, 10.30 a.m.
Sandakan	Hin Sang	Sat., Sept. 10, 1.30 p.m. Parcels 12th 5 p.m.
Manila, Australia and New Zealand via Thursday Island	Taiping	Mon., Sept. 13, Registration 9.45 a.m. Letters 10.30 a.m. (Due Thursday Island 24th Sept.).
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., C. and S. America and *Europe via Vancouver, B.C., and *Europe via Siberia	Emp. of Asia	Parcels 13th 5 p.m. Wed., Sept. 14, Registration 9.15 a.m. Letters 10 a.m. (Due Vancouver, B.C., 2nd October).
Straits	Van Heutsz	Thurs., Sept. 15, 10.30 a.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. and S. Africa, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles	Devanha	Sat., Sept. 17, K.P.O. Parcels 16th 4.30 p.m. Registration 17th 9 a.m. Letters 10 a.m. G.P.O. Parcels 16th 5 p.m. Registration 17th 9.45 a.m. Letters 10.30 a.m. (Due Marseilles 15th October).
Amoy	Anking	Sat., Sept. 17, 5 p.m.
Shanghai, *Japan and Honolulu	Shinyo Maru	Tues., Sept. 20, 10.30 a.m.
Saigon, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. and S. Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles	Athos II.	Tues., Sept. 27, Registration 1.45 p.m. Letters 2.30 p.m. (Due Marseilles 28th September.)

*Correspondence bearing vessel's name only.

STAG CHARGES A CAR.

KILLED BY THE IMPACT.

To have had their car charged at by a stag, which was killed, was the alarming experience of an Ealing family motoring through Richmond Park.

Although the car was travelling at only eight miles an hour the animal was killed almost at once and the side of the car was dented. Describing the adventure to a press reporter the owner of the car said:

We were driving with the hood up when we saw a stag, head downwards, rushing towards the side of the car. It came at great speed over the grass at the Kingston end of the park, and before we could realise that it meant to attack us it crashed into the side of the car.

An official of the superintendent's office at Richmond Park told a reporter:

We have had many cases recently of stags being killed by cars. Apparently the stag thinks the car is attacking it. In many of the cases the stag was crossing the road, saw a car approaching, and put its head down to meet what it thought was the attacker. Little children get the stags to lick their hands. They would not be likely to hurt a pedestrian.

WALLPAPER IS CHANGING.

COLOURED LIGHTS AND A FEW SWITCHES.

A new coloured wallpaper every day or an entirely different scheme of interior decoration, is to be obtained merely by the manipulation of a few switches.

It is a new scheme of colour lighting and at a demonstration given in a West End showroom spectators watched a black and orange wallpaper change to brown and the picture of a well-dressed woman turned into a silhouette.

The installation is a series of coloured electric lights set behind panels of ribbed glass and "let into" the wall and ceiling and a few switches.

Not only did the turning of a switch change the colour of a wallpaper but also its design. It is claimed that large sums of money could be saved to theatres, cinemas, and hotels in expensive interior decorations by the installation of the system.

It was also claimed that the lighting scheme would enable an actor to make an instantaneous "change" of costume, which could be worked with effect in, say, a prologue to a film.

Saturday's report of the Medical Officer of Health contained one Chinese imported case of cholera and one Chinese case of enteric fever.

LONG FLIGHT FAILURES.

CAPTAIN COURTNEY'S UNSUCCESSFUL ATTEMPT.

London, Sept. 3.

The Air Ministry last night received report from the steamer Josiah Macy that the lights of an aeroplane flying eastwards had been seen in mid-Atlantic at 9.40 p.m. on Wednesday. It is presumed this was the missing monoplane "St. Raphael," whose fuel supplies would be exhausted by midnight Thursday or shortly afterwards. On this assumption it was halfway across the Atlantic fifteen hours after departure. No news of its arrival anywhere has been received. It is considered that the only remaining hope for Princess Lowenstein-Wertheim, Colonel Minchin and Captain Hamilton is that they may have been picked up by some vessel unequipped with wireless. The theory maintained is that intricate wind drifts over the Atlantic drove the "St. Raphael" off its course and that the weather prevented the taking of observations to rectify it.

So far the North Atlantic has never been flown by aeroplane in the westward direction, though it was crossed in 1919 by the British airship R34, the only airship yet to make the double flight. Since then the German airship ZR3 has been flown on a more southerly course to America for delivery to United States.—*British Wireless.*

Sighted Half-way Across.

London, Sept. 3.

The fate of the "St. Raphael" remains a mystery. The Air Ministry has received a message from the master of the steamer Josiah Macy stating that an aeroplane which may have been the "St. Raphael" passed over a point half way across the Atlantic at 9.44 in the evening (Greenwich Mean Time) on 31st ult., while a New York message states that a white light, possibly belonging to an aeroplane, was sighted by a Dutch steamer 450 miles east south east of New York at six in the morning (G. M. T.) of the 1st instant. The light was travelling eastwards. If it belonged to the "St. Raphael" the pilots had evidently lost their course, since the machine was flying away from its destination.—*Reuter.*

American Assistance.

Washington, Sept. 3.

Mr. Warner, acting Secretary of the Navy, stated that owing to lack of information as to the most probable whereabouts of the "St. Raphael" it was practically impossible for the American navy to search for her but if the British or Canadian authorities requested assistance the American navy would lend a hand.—*Reuter's American Service.*

COURTNEY'S ATTEMPT.

Head-winds Cause Landing at Corunna.

A PASSENGER.

London, Sept. 3.

The British pilot Courtney and two companions have left Plymouth flying a Domier Napier "Whale" flying boat to Valentia en route for New York.

Courtney is accompanied by Captain Downer and a mechanic named Little. He intends to fly first to the Azores. The flying boat is fitted with Napier Lion twin engines with a maximum speed of 125 miles an hour, a wing area of 1,000 square feet and will take a maximum load of 9,000 lbs.

It transpires that Courtney's flying boat carries a passenger in Mr. E. B. Hosmer, of the Bank of Montreal.—*Reuter.*

An Experienced Pilot.

Another British attempt to fly the Atlanic from east to west began this morning. Captain Frank Courtney, who for sometime has awaited a favourable opportunity, left Plymouth Sound at 6.26 a.m. in a Dormier Whale seaplane, fitted with two British Napier Lion engines, accompanied by Flying Officer Downer, navigator, Mechanic Little and an American passenger, name unannounced, who aspires to be the first American to fly the Atlantic in a westward direction. The intention is to proceed to the Azores, where, after refuelling, the flight will be continued to Newfoundland and thence to New York. The intention is to make a return flight to London via Newfoundland and Ireland. Courtney is a test pilot of exceptional skill and experience, with a reputation for caution and courage. His departure to-day was unostentations. His wife accompanied him in a launch to the seaplane, but only a few people other than the mechanics saw him go. He made perfect start and the machine was soon out of sight.—*Reuter.*

At Corunna.

London, Sept. 3.

Courtney has given up the flight owing to head winds. He is landing at Corunna.—*Reuter.*

London, Sept. 4.

Courtney has landed safely at Corunna.—*Reuter.*

Madrid, Sept. 4.

Courtney has landed at Corunna through lack of petrol. He is resuming his flight on September 5.—*Reuter.*

Royal Windor's Second Mishap.

St. John's, Quebec; Sept. 3.

The Royal Windsor has resumed its flight to England.—*Reuter's American Service.*

New York, Sept. 4.

The Royal Windsor has landed at Scarboro, Maine.—*Reuter's American Service.*

The Pride of Detroit at Baghdad.

Constantinople, Sept. 2.

The "Pride of Detroit" has left for Aleppo.—*Reuter.*

Baghdad, Sept. 2.

The "Pride of Detroit" has arrived here.—*Reuter.*

[It will be recalled that previous messages reported that the "Pride of Detroit," on which the American airmen Brock and Schlee are flying round the world, had been held up two days at Constantinople being delayed by Turkish formalities.]

Flight to Hongkong.

Dallas, Texas, Sept. 4.

Colonel Easterwood has cabled the Pride of Detroit airmen offering a prize of £5,000 for a flight from Hongkong to Dallas.—*Reuter's American Service.*

Karachi, Sept. 4.

The Pride of Detroit has arrived at Bunderabbas.—*Reuter.*

Mexican Fliers' Effort.

Jaurez, Sept. 3.

Carranza landed at Fort Bliss after a flight of 1,222 miles in 11 hours 28 minutes.—*Reuter's American Service.*

Jaurez, Sept. 4.

Lieut. Carranza, related some of his experiences at a dinner given in his honour. He told how when halfway on his journey he discovered that the wing of his plane in which 400 litres of petrol were stored, was on fire.

He got out his parachute and made ready to jump, but noticed a dark cloud ahead which spelt rain. He raced towards it and was relieved to see a deluge of rain extinguish the fire.—*Reuter's American Service.*

COMING AND GOING.

HOMEWARD BOUND ON THE MOREA.

A number of Army officers were among the passengers homeward bound on the P. and O. s.s. Morea which left Hongkong on Saturday. Passengers boarding the boat at Hongkong included Mr. P. P. J. Wodehouse, C.I.E., and Mrs. Wodehouse, Mr. and Mrs. A. Fothergill, Mr. and Mrs. Ferguson, Mr. A. E. Hills, Mr. R. C. Matthews, Mr. and Mrs. N. M. Currie, Mr. and Mrs. E. Rowe, Mr. G. Naylor, Mr. W. H. Stowell, Mr. A. L. Shark, Mr. L. Byrde, Squadron Leader C. E. W. Foster, R.A.F., Mr. M. Griffiths, Mr. M. R. C. Munroe, R.A.F., Mr. A. M. Pilling, R.N., Mr. J. F. M. Robertson, R.N., Mr. H. Routledge, Capt. R. A. Slater, Mr. A. G. Tackray, R.A.F. and Miss G. C. Williams.

CORONER'S ENQUIRY.

MUSTARD'S COOLIE DIED THROUGH MISADVENTURE.

Deciding that it was profitless to go any further into the circumstances surrounding the death of a Chinese godown coolie who was electrocuted in Messrs. Mustard & Company's basement, Mr. R. E. Lindsell on Saturday terminated the enquiry and returned a verdict of death by misadventure.

His Worship recommended that Messrs. Watson & Company, as lessees of the building, should see to the installation of main switches in the offices of their tenants in such a position as to be easily accessible.

Mr. F. C. Todd, of Messrs. Watson's, said that the building was leased for a long term from The Hongkong Land Investment Company. Witness could not say anything about the main switch and confessed that all he knew was that there was a mass of fuses in the passage between Des Voeux and Chater Road.

Capt. E. F. Brown, of the Hongkong Electric Company, stated that the wiring and installation of lights at Alexandra building was made twenty-five years ago. He added that Mustard & Co. had a main switch controlling the lights in their office, but not the lights and wiring in the basement.

Mr. A. E. Clark, of the electrical department of the P.W.D., said that it was quite possible that the flexible wire was made "alive" by the apprentice electrician making a circuit as the deceased entered the storeroom, or that there had been a leakage from another part of the circuit.

Capt. Brown said that he doubted the latter suggestion as the distance was so short, but he might say that it was just possible that there had been a leakage from a "live" portion of the circuit, and this caused a shock.

The Coroner returned a verdict with the recommendation stated above.

LOSS OF LIFE.

Strong Feeling of Revulsion in New York.

New York, Sept. 3.

A strong feeling of revulsion against what is now considered to be the exaggerated importance attached to long distance, especially trans-Oceanic flights, is being shewn in several quarters of the United States.

At a meeting of the American Bar Association at Buffalo it was strongly announced that all countries should legislate in order to stop the increasing loss of life.—*Reuter's American Service.*

AVIATORS RELEASED.

And Fly From Mexico Into America.

San Antonio, (Texas,), Sept. 3.

Reynolds and Newlands have been released and flew back to Fort Sam Houston.—*Reuter's American Service.*

A message dated August 30 stated: The Customs authorities at Ojinaga, on the Mexican side of the Rio Grande, report that two United States army aviators, Captain Reynolds and Staff Sergeant Newlands, landed in Mexico, and have been detained because they lacked the Government's permission to fly over Mexico.

ENTERTAINING THE TROOPS.

ENJOYABLE CONCERT AT CITY HALL.

An excellent concert was provided at the City Hall on Saturday evening, for the entertainment of service men, the attendance being extremely large, and applause free and hearty. The work of organisation was carried out with complete success by Mrs. Younghusband.

A number of well-known and accomplished local artists figured on the programme, but because of its length it was not possible to give all the encores that were merited. From the start to the finish the various numbers, which were delightfully varied, were gone through without a hitch.

The programme was opened by the popular Donnithorne Amateur Orchestra, with the waltz "Espana" by E. Waldteufel, and "The Wildflower," a selection by Youmans and Stothart. Amongst the fun makers were Tod and Dick, with a repertoire songs and stories to keep the audience amused, and a popular reception was accorded to a Cameronian with "Musical Verbosities" and the brothers "Dido," who sustained a comedy sketch.

Mr. Harry Ore scored great successes in Liszt's "Hungarian Rhapsody," No. 2, and Chopin's "Nocturne." An exceptionally fine rendering of Sanderson's "Be Still, Blackbird" was given by Mrs. H. Minney, accompanied by Mr. J. R. Suiter, as while Surg. Lieut. Bradfield R. N. was loudly applauded for his renderings of "An Emblem" and "Smilin' Through."

Hawaiian Melodies.

Professor F. Gonzalez performed wonders on a violin and 'phone fiddle. Opera selections were beautifully rendered Mr. G. D'Aquino, who was accompanied by Signora C. de Guzman. Mrs. H. Balean offered violin solos, being accompanied by Mrs. G. W. R. Griggs. One of the most enjoyable features were Hawaiian melodies, played by Messrs. Gonzalez, Danenberg, and Silva. Miss Rachael Wong, a talented pupil of Miss Violet Capell, danced "Bacchante." Mr. G. W. C. Burnett also contributed.

A turn entitled "Two minds with but a single thought," by the Marvellous Haytors, mental telepathists, excited great interest, and the "What Nots" party lined up to their established reputation of being bright and breezy.

The official pianist was Mr. Rupert Baldwin, A. T. C. L., and the pianos were supplied by the Anderson Music Company.

Mr. Younghusband, assisted by Padre Bohn, distributed "Lucky Number" prizes, presented by Messrs. Caldbeck, Macgregor and Co. The Prizes were: 2 Silver Watches, 1 Cigarette Case, 1 De Luxe Pipe, 2 Razors, 1 Belt, 1 Cigarette Box, 12 Packs Playing Cards.

The British American Co., as usual, contributed the cigarettes.

More Talent Required.

The Hongkong Naval and Military Y.M.C.A. Entertainment Committee have had the following notice posted up on vessels passing through Hongkong, by the courtesy of the leading steamship companies:

The above-mentioned wish it to be known that there are a considerable number of Troops who have arrived in Hongkong from Home in connexion with the general unrest in this country under the auspices of the Y.M.C.A. An Entertainment Committee has been formed, and has been functioning for some months. Part of the work of such Committee is the organisation of various musical and dramatic performances each week.

While the willing efforts of many amateur entertainers have been of the greatest value, the Committee are anxious to obtain further talent from all possible sources. It is possible that travelling on board various steamers passing through Hongkong there may be many passengers, either professional or amateur, who would be willing to give an hour or so to assist at any entertainments which may be taking place during their stay in port. With this in view, the Committee would be obliged if anyone willing to assist would communicate with them for full particulars.

THE ST. LEGER.

TWENTY-SEVEN PROBABLE STARTERS.

London, Sept. 3.

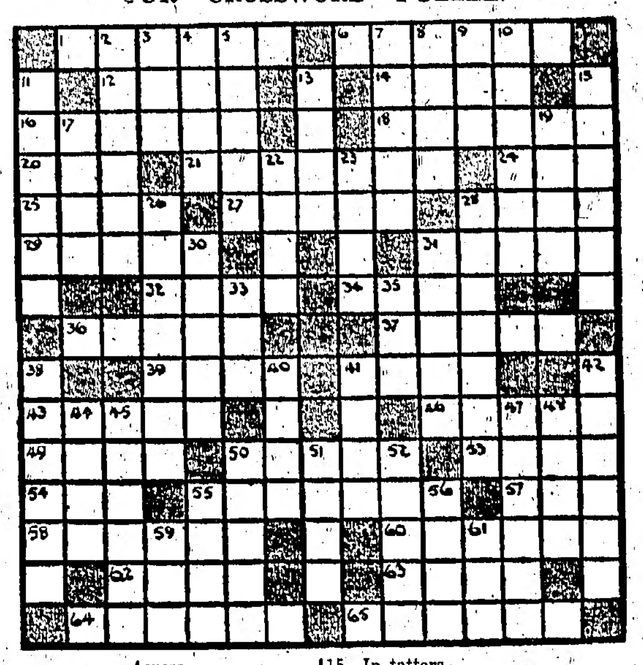
Following are the probable starters in the St. Leger:

Son and Heir .....Carslake.
Restigouche .....C. Childs.
Buckfast .....Evans.
Shianmor .....Lane.
Baralong .....Pryor.
Arran Chief .....James.
Trelawny .....Winter.
Mario .....Smirke.
Tattoo .....Perryman.
Damon .....H. Beesley.
Hot Night .....H. Gragg.
Caledon .....Nolan.
Blueboy .....J. Childs.
Grande Vitesse .....Elliott.
Composure .....Weston.
Booklaw .....Jellis.

No jockeys have yet been selected for the other probables: Start II., Maidstone, Gipsy King, Jugo, Prester John, Silverstead, Chateau Palmer, Philadens II., Caporal, Facon and Grey Mist.—*Reuter.*

After reading a letter which she took from a small handbag, a woman climbed on to one of the seats on Blackfriars Bridge and on to the parapet. As she was about to fall into the river a man clutched at her, but her clothing slipped through his figners. The bag and letter, left on the seat, were handed to the police. The woman was dead when taken from the water, and later the body was identified as that of Alice Maud Winter, a widow, of no fixed abode.

OUR CROSSWORD PUZZLE.



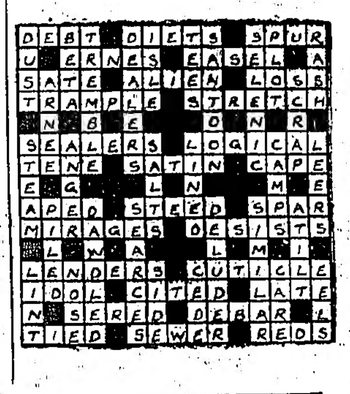
Across.

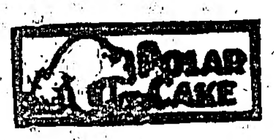
1 Places down the foot.
6 Out look.
12 Comfort.
14 Telegram.
16 Interior slopes of ditches.
18 Church service.
20 Road mending material.
21 Winter sportsmen.
24 Appendage.
25 Delightful place.
27 Ermine.
28 Proud person.
29 Field fortification.
31 Water-birds.
32 Measure.
34 Store of knowledge.
36 Sea nymph.
37 Large house.
39 Tots.
41 Calm.
43 Remains.
46 Blot out.
49 Eagle.
50 Bellows.
53 Web-footed bird.
54 South American port.
55 Repulsive.
57 Beverage.
58 Appraises.
60 Small top room.
62 Vetch.
63 Old.
64 Separate.
65 Malay dagger.

Down.

2 Brought up.
3 Till (O.T.)
4 Snakes.
5 Office furniture (plural).
7 Moderately black.
8 Snorting animals.
9 Before.
10 Point of concentration.
11 At the back.
13 Within.
15 In tatters.
17 Barrel.
19 Platform.
22 Has never been broken.
23 Peer.
26 Tell.
28 Those who strip the skin from.
30 Requirements.
31 Filth.
33 Conjunction.
35 Eggs.
38 Officers of the church.
40 Possessing shoes.
41 Mere beginner.
42 Small Spanish horses.
44 Melody.
45 Noses.
47 Merits.
48 Market for goods.
50 Elevator.
51 Breezy.
52 Granular substance.
55 Man of intrepidity.
56 Wise person.
59 Air.
61 Portuguese coin.

Saturday's Puzzle.





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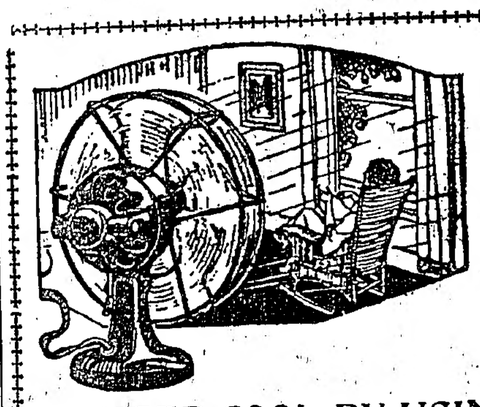
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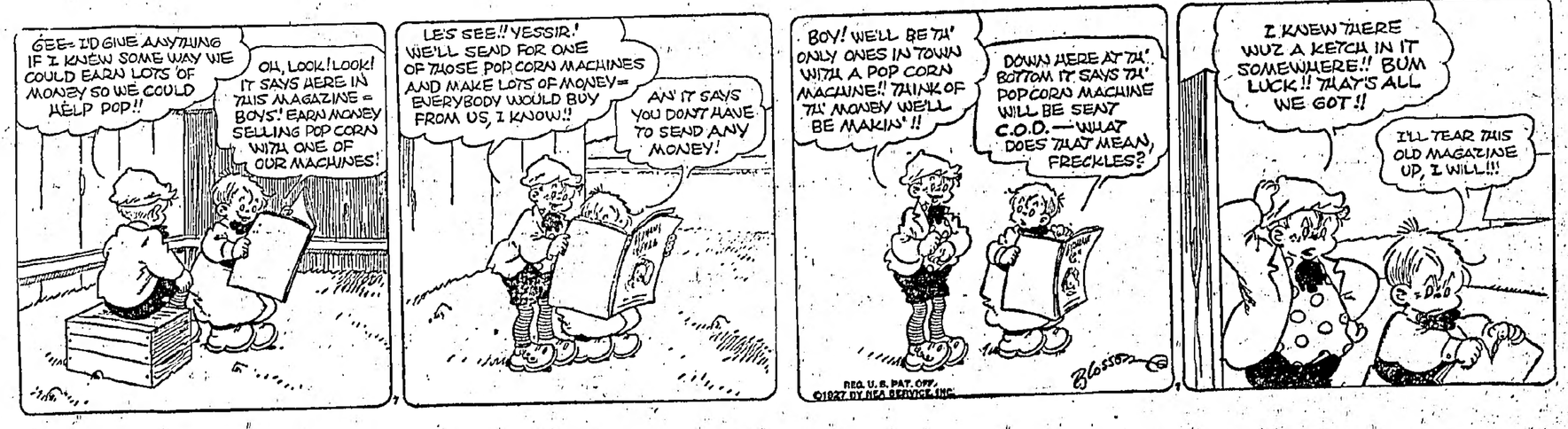

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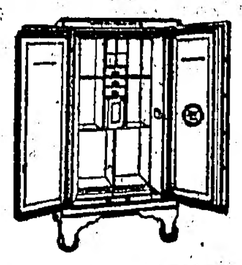

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CANTON EXTORTION.

One imagines that the story of what has happened in Canton during the past week must be unequalled in any part of the world, for it is impossible to imagine a greater piece of robbery than has been perpetrated by the Government upon the merchant and banking class. Let us concede the possibility that there was something of a scheme among the enemies of the Government aiming at the financial overthrow of the regime and there is even then much room left to pass severe censure on what have been nothing more nor less than official acts of armed robbery and of extortion. The Central Bank is a Government Bank, and when it started business it was known to have a *real* capital of about $50,000. It immediately issued about $10,000,000 worth of Notes which the Government forced into currency. Since then it must have issued fully $30,000,000 more—at least, that is the computation of a well-known Chinese merchant just down from Canton. It is perfectly natural that such notes, known to be without any solid financial backing, should have fallen on exchange and that when the Government attempted to issue more, there was a "run" on the Central Bank by persons attempting to "redeem" what they knew to be almost worthless pieces of paper. And then the trouble started. The Government hatched up the story that there was a "plot" against it, and it forced money changers to accept notes under threat of dire penalties. It further suggested a *loan* from the merchants "in order to strengthen public faith" and it called a meeting of merchants and heads of the Canton Chamber of Commerce to discuss the matter. While that discussion was in progress, the meeting was raided by Government troops and the heads of the Chamber were forcibly seized and taken away as "guarantors." The Central Bank ceased to redeem its notes, the Government demanded a sum of $10,000,000 *in cash* from the merchants, Banks were raided, money changers were made prisoners in their own shops and a complete process of gang robbery and extortion was gone through. The merchants have given in; they have promised to find the money, and those who were seized have been released. Thus it is that the enlightened Government of Canton re-establishes its credit, and we are left wondering how long this newly-extorted money will last and when the merchants, (in other words the people) will again be held up at the point of the sword and ruthlessly robbed.

It is no use being mealy-mouthed about such an outrageous proceeding as that under discussion, and the only surprising thing about it is that the people of Canton are fools enough to allow their Government (the regime that came in with righteous slogans to remove oppression) to ride so lawlessly over them. If this is the kind of benign government the Kuomintang dispenses then we say in all earnestness that China needs a revolution from the bottom—she needs a people in revolt against extortionate rulers. There is not a Chinese in South China who can deny the fact that, although there has been no fighting in Kwangtung for two years, the condition of the people is in a worse state to-day than it ever was owing to recurring fighting of the days when military personages like Lung Chai-kwong, Luk Wing-ting, Chan Kwing-ming, Chiang Kai-shek and others fought among themselves. Surely it is ironical to the degree of sadness that those who came heralding themselves as the removers of oppression and who were welcomed with the joyous shouts of the populace have in turn been more oppressive than those whom they displaced.

Athletics and Growth.

It is interesting to observe the conclusions arrived at by Professor Parsons, the anatomy expert at London University, that the British girl has grown taller, the average increase being two inches in the past 20 years. No deductions are cabled along with the report, but one may assume that this increase of height is directly connected with the spread of athletics among women, and the more healthy and better developed modern girl. Undoubtedly athletics has improved the physique of all nations who have taken it up largely, and in time we may expect to find similar records of growth in the East. Men are declared to have shown no change above the average 5 feet 9 inches of the past two decades, and this is probably because, twenty years ago, the British male was already a confirmed exponent of sports of all kinds, particularly outdoor games and other exercises. Incidentally, the average height mentioned by the professor is somewhat tall, the average for most Britons being about an inch less. Five feet nine, and over, is considered distinctly tall. It is probably because the professor's examples were nearly all drawn from a class given to sound physical training, and proper care, from infancy, that the average is so good. Otherwise, there is a tendency to note the gradual reduction of the Briton's height. It is well known that the Guards battalions find it very difficult to get men as tall as they would like, and certain concessions, particularly with regard to the officers, have had to be made in the course of the past few years. There was a recent controversy at Home regarding the retention of the minimum height for postmen, owing to the difficulty of obtaining the necessary qualified manpower. It may be, that our sisters are catching us up. There are instances to-day of husbands being smaller than their wives, and the tendency it may be is for this anomaly to increase. It would appear as if woman, not content with proving herself to be man's equal mentally, is about to challenge his hitherto unshaken physical superiority.

EXCHANGE RATES.

London, Sept. 4.

Paris	124
Brussels	34.91½
Amsterdam	12.13 1/16
Berlin	20.43¼
Oslo	18.54½
Prague	164
Madrid	28.78
Athens	367
Rio	5.59/64
Bombay	1/5⅞
Hongkong	1/11⅝
New York	4.86 1/32
Geneva	25.21
Milan	89.55
Stockholm	18.09¾
Vienna	34.47½
Helsingfors	193
Lisbon	2⅝
Bucharest	787½
Buenos Aires	47.15/16
Shanghai	2/5½
Kobe	1/11.5/16
Silver (spot and forward)	25.5/16

—*British Wireless.*

DAY BY DAY.

SACRIFICE IS THE SECRET OF BEAUTY, CULTURE, AND CHARACTER. —*Newell Dwight Hillis.*

There was one Chinese case of typhoid fever reported over the week-end.

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The P. and O. s.s. Kashgar from Hongkong, arrived at Marseilles on Saturday afternoon.

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The local weather forecast up till noon to-morrow is: "South-west winds, moderate; squally, overcast, occasional rain."

Mr. Gillard, of the Hongkong Company, has reported to the police that a conductor of the Company has disappeared, taking amounting to $46.85.

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The Chinese football team, captained by Mr. Lee Wai Tong, the noted "inside-left," is returning by the s.s. St. Albans to-morrow after a successful tour in Australia.

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The British vessel Tilawa, arriving from Calcutta and Singapore with 2,498 deck passengers, reports three deaths *en route*, one from heart failure and two from beri-beri.

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The s.s. President Grant, arriving this morning from Seattle and Shanghai, carried a heavy mail from the U.S.A., Canada, Japan and Europe via Siberia, consisting of 849 bags.

A bricklayer was injured yesterday in a fall from the top storey of a house which is in course of construction at Tsang Tsi-Ha, New Territories. He was removed to the Kowloon Hospital.

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The Kutsang arriving from Yokohama and Amoy with 952 deck passengers, reports one death from cholera. The ship has accordingly anchored in the quarantine area off Stonecutters.

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Efforts are being made to trace the whereabouts of a foki of a medicine shop, the Wing Ning Tong, of No. 72 Bonham Strand West, who it is said has disappeared with a sum of $4,500 in his possession.

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While lying asleep yesterday, one of the crew of harbour junk No. 365 was thrown into the water owing to a sudden list of the boat and was drowned. The mishap occurred while the junk was on her way across the harbour from Shamshuipo.

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A belated report of typhoon damage last week was made at the Harbour Office this morning, when a junk mistress stated that the Fire Float, going astern to berth at Yaumati shelter was in collision with her junk, doing considerable damage.

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This morning's Harbour Office reports gave eight arrivals and seven departures, of which four and one respectively were British. British vessels carried the heaviest cargoes, and there remained in harbour 57 vessels, of which 26 were British.

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A Japanese, living at No. 19 Macdonnell Road, was bitten yesterday by a dog, an Airedale belonging to Mr. Parkinson, of the Married Military Quarters at Kennedy Road. The dog was removed to the depot at Kennedy Town. Another Airedale, the property of Mr. Griffiths, of No. 8 The Peak, also bit a chair-coolie, who has been sent to the Government Civil Hospital for treatment.

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A Shaukiwan trading junk returning here on Thursday from Macao was boarded by the police from the local police station and subsequently detained on account of the discovery of 50 jars of Chinese wines on which duty had not been paid. Two men, who admitted they were the owners of the craft, were charged on remand before Mr. R. E. Lindsell, at the Central Police Court, this morning, when, on a conviction being made, each was fined $50, with the alternative of fourteen days' hard labour. An order for the confiscation of the wines and also of the junk was also made on a police application.

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After being accorded shelter at No. 17, Pitt Street, an ungrateful friend may but for the presence of an watchman from the Supreme Court, have stolen a gold wrist-watch from his host while the latter slept yesterday. The defendant, when charged before Mr. W. Schofield at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning with larceny of the watch, pleaded guilty, and was sentenced to six weeks' hard labour. His Worship was informed that while the complainant was asleep, the defendant took his watch off his wrist. The accused was seen by a watchman placed on the premises by the bailiff, and on becoming aware that he was being watched he immediately handed back the watch to the complainant.

OBITUARY.

LORD COLERIDGE.

London, Sept. 4.

Lord Coleridge, former High Court Judge of the King's Bench Division, died to-day, at the age of 76.—*British Wireless.*

Bernard John Seymour, the second Baron Coleridge (a title created in 1873), was born in 1851, succeeding his father in the Barony in 1894. Educated at Eton and Trinity College, Oxford, and taking up law, he became a K.C. in 1892.

Lord Coleridge recently resigned his office as a Judge of the High Court of Justice, King's Bench Division. His retirement was a source of regret both to the Bar and to the public. He had not had good health for some years. As a Judge, appointed to the Bench in 1907, he had a long and varied experience of judicial work, in which his law was generally sound and his judgments were an example to his colleagues in purity of English diction. He presided in 1917, with the Archbishop of Canterbury, in the first Court which was constituted under the Benefices Act, 1898, and afterwards he tried the futile claim by a man named Tooth to the Waterford peerage.

The late Lord Coleridge is succeeded by his son, the Hon. Geoffrey Coleridge, who was born in 1877, and is a Captain in the 4th. (Reserve) Battalion of the Devonshire Regiment.

CHINESE HOTEL CASE.

PROPRIETOR FINED $250.

A fine of $250 was imposed by Mr. R. E. Lindsell this morning on Yu To-sang, the proprietor of the Mei Chow Hotel, a large establishment recently opened in Des Vouex Road Central, for allowing his premises to be used for an immoral purpose.

At a previous hearing, it was disclosed that the room boys get about fifty per cent. of the earnings of girls who are introduced to tenants of the hotel.

Mr. L. D. Turner, who defended, explained to his Worship that the room boy who was responsible for the "system" in the Hotel had been dismissed, and that steps have been taken to prevent a recurrence of the offence. "There was no evidence," said Mr. Turner "that my client himself was actually aware of this matter. It was a mere presumption from the evidence."

Mr. Lindsell remarked that the management of the hotel must have known what was going on.

Sub-Inspector Shaftain pointed out that the licences of the hotel were sent for in April, and had been warned for allowing prostitutes on his premises.

THEFT OF A MOTOR-CAR MASCOT.

CHINESE LAD'S BAD RECORD.

Mr. E. Abraham was mentioned as a complainant at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, but it was intimated that owing to pressure of business, his Chinese chauffeur prosecuted in his stead.

The case was one in which a Chinese lad was charged with stealing a metal statuette from the complainant's motor car while it was parked in Cox's Path, on August 19. The defendant was alternatively charged with receiving stolen property.

The defendant stated that the statuette was stolen by two men who gave it to him to pawn.

According to the Police, the defendant was arrested late last night with the article in his possession.

On the lad's criminal record showing two previous convictions, his Worship imposed sentence of twelve strokes of the cane, a conviction being registered on the charge of receiving stolen property.

THE CHINA PIRATE EPIDEMIC.

SUSPECTS KEPT UNDER SURVEILLANCE.

It is rumoured that the master of the s.s. Solviken, a Norwegian ship that was pirated during the latter part of last month, was again in danger during her last trip to the South.

Owing to his previous experience, the master instituted a new system of defence, with the result that there was no outbreak on board, although it is believed that there were a number of the Bias Bay gang present, awaiting an opportunity to seize the ship. The precautions taken are said to have prevented these suspects from carrying out their plan.

The Very Idea!

Baldheaded men need no longer fear a visit to the barber, if the latter follows the example of a well-known London establishment. The attendants there are forbidden to invite clients to purchase hair restorers, washes or pomades. Those who have still some hair left may hope to keep it, if they are saved from the worry of resisting the blandishments of the knights of the scissor and razor.

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It seems we do not treat an ice
Cream cone just as we should.
It always gets a licking just
For being mighty good.

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A professional rat catcher and a ship's captain were the central figures in an amazing comedy at Middlesbrough, in which the captain came off second best. Following his custom of visiting the ships in port to catch rats, the professional made a good haul and then presented himself at the captain's cabin to receive his fee.

"Who told you to catch rats on my ship? I am not going to pay you anything. You should have left them alone," said the captain.

"Oh, well," replied the rat-catcher, "if you feel that about it take them back and make pets of them."

Suiting his action to the words, he opened a bag and let loose some 40 rodents, which made a dash for freedom.

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At the last meeting of the Anchorites, in their little Soho rendezous, members listened to one of the most thrilling stories ever unfolded in the warmth of an after-dinner atmosphere in a London restaurant. Engineer-Commander Rickinson, an active young man of great modesty, gave a lantern story of his experiences as the chief engineer in Shackleton's last expedition to the South Pole. The wonderful relation, in plain sailors' language, of how the wooden ship Endurance set out to Elephant Island and then to South Georgia, and how she was caught and crushed to death in great fields of ice, was vividly presented.

When I stepped quietly into my 'bus in Piccadilly after the lecture I marvelled at the pluck and courage of all those Britishers who spent years on the ice, living on penguin flesh and seal steaks, and who sometimes had to shoot their own dogs in order to live, for the glory of trying to push the British Empire as far as the South Pole. Apart from the "local dishes" referred to, the *weekly* ration of these explorers was: Three lumps of sugar, two biscuits, a tablespoonful of methylated spirits, and a little tinned beef. No wonder Commander Rickinson looked so young and fresh! Obviously we all eat and drink far too much nowadays.

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A process of witchcraft powerfully reminiscent of the doings in ancient days of one Merlin has come to light during the hearing of a case at Allahabad. A Hindu magician hearing that another native was sueing someone in the law court proffered his help in the casting of a puja which would cause a verdict in his favour. Whatever the cause, the plaintiff did, in fact, win, whereupon Mr. Magician demanded his 10 per cent. This was not forthcoming, so he brought an action against the erstwhile plaintiff, and lost. A similar fate awaited him in two appeals, which rather suggests that however successful his sorcery might be with others, if was useless agaist the hard-headed non-sentimental High Court. The spell must have been as innocuous as the Merlin powder which was said to render one invisible during a duel.

ALLEGED MURDER CLUES.

FRENCH RIVER-PILOT'S TRIAL.

Reports in regard to the case of the former river-pilot Maurice Alexis, now being tried by the authorities in Indo-China on a charge of murder of a fellow Colonial, a merchant of Hanoi, named Noel, are still being given a prominent place in the newspapers of French Indo-China. With that freedom accorded to French journals, the *Opinion* and other papers have been speculating on a new turn in the case provided by the appearance of an interesting witness, in the person of the wife of the murdered man, the lady being alleged to have conceived a great friendship for the accused.

The Sûreté officials are still active in completing their case against the accused, and in addition to finding the body of the dead man wrapped in sacks and enclosed in a grilled frame, it is alleged they have also discovered blood stains on the car used by the accused, not visible to the naked eye, but which reacted to chemical tests.

Meanwhile, Alexis has pleaded "not guilty," and this Indo-Chinese *cause celebre* has yet to be concluded before the Court.

CHIANG'S ROLE.

HOW HE SACRIFICED HIS PRINCIPLES.

DICTATOR FOR ONE YEAR.

General Chiang Kai-shek played an important role in the affairs of the Kuomintang and was virtually the dictator of South China for the short period of the year. After that he eliminated himself from political life and retired to a temple outside of Ningpo, where he can think of the greatness which he might have achieved had be not sacrificed every political principle to achieve greatness. For it was Chiang Kai-shek who brought about split after split in the Kuomintang so that, by a process of elimination, he might rise to the principal position in the Party, writes Mr. George E. Sokolsky in the *Far Eastern Review.*

It was Chiang Kai-shek who brought Borodin back to Canton in May, 1926, so that he might have arms and munitions for his Northern Expedition. It was Chiang Kai-shek who elevated the Marxian Teng Jan-da to a controlling position in the machinery of the Party so that he could utilize the propaganda agencies of the Communists in his interests. It was Chiang Kai-shek who overthrew the communists and attacked the very men who made his military successes possible when they impeded his Napoleonic ambitions.

Foreigners in China, obsessed with the mania that there is no hope in this country except in a strong man, favour Chiang Kai-shek as they have in the past stupdily favoured Yuan Shih-kei and Tuan Chi-jui. They seem to have learned nothing from Chinese history. They seem not to be able to realize that these so-called strong men in China invariably fail because they are not strong; they are tricky; they are masters of intrigue, but they have no fundamental strength. Chiang Kai-shek came closer to having a popular following than any of the other militarists but his popularity was almost entirely created by the Communist propagandists when they were his supporters and he lost it when they ceased to boost him. He went to Ningpo ten days before this article was written and already his name is but occasionally mentioned even in Chinese political circles and then, only in a reminiscent mood. He may return to public life, he may even some day lead an army to conquest —but he will never again play the role of an overshadowing leader in the Nationalist Movement.

How Kuomintang Survives.

The strength of the Kuomintang lies in its ability to absorb and withstand the shock of catastrophic failures. It goes through its failures and comes out alive. Dr. Sun Yat-sen used to boast that he failed 13 times and yet continued his work. Many times he was driven out of his base, Canton, by the very men he elevated to high position. But he always returned, while they are in oblivion, their names hardly known to the rising generation. The vitality of the movement depends upon its capacity to survive failures.

Feudalism in China, is different. The feudal lord does not expect to survive failure. When he fails he retires to some foreign concession or foreign country to enjoy the riches which he garnered in the days of power. Where are the great Tuchuns of 1924? It would perhaps be a better question to ask, who were they? Forgotten, lost to memory and history, they sit in Tientsin and Dairen and Shanghai playing small politics listlessly and hoping some day to get back into some position, but never quite being able to make the grade, because younger men and other times have written their obituaries. The only exception to this general rule is Marshal Wu Pei-fu, who, in a way represents something more than mere feudalism: he represents the ancient Chinese code of chivalric morals and ethics as lost to China as the glories of Don Quixote were lost to Europe of another age.

But the Kuomintang is in a different position. It may be incompetent. It may be radical. It may suggested to programmes which are ruinous to the country. It may associate itself at times with the Communists. Its faults lead to calamities; its incompetence leads to confusion. But to the average Chinese mind, it is the beginnings of a Chinese nation. It is often as unattractive as all beginnings, ugly efforts at big things by puny men. But whatever it is, it is Chinese and appeals to Chinese psychology. It represents to the Chinese mind a hope for the future. It lacks coherence because it depends upon the populace and the populace is of a divided mind. It lacks perfection of organization because its leaders have devoted their life experience to revolution rather than to administration. It lacks

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IN CANTON FROM DAY TO DAY.

PASSING OF FINANCIAL CRISIS.

CHIANG KAI-SHEK WANTED.

(Our Own Correspondent.)

Canton, Sept. 4.

A large demonstration was held to-day at noon on the East Parade Ground when a resolution was passed urging General Chiang Kai-shek and the Five Commissioners in Nanking to resume their duties. More than 5,000 persons were present, and most of them went there at the request of the Government.

The officials most enthusiastic for the re-instatement of the Nanking Generalissimo and his colleagues are General Tang Yin-wah, the Commissioner of Public Safety, and Mr. Tang Yang-po, Political Director of Army Affairs. A circular telegram has been sent to Nanking and other provinces to the effect that Canton, or at least certain important officials, want Chiang Kai-shek to resume his position as Commander-in-Chief of the Nationalist forces.

To-night it is scheduled that influential officials will speak at Chung Shan University and other educational institutions explaining the achievements of Marshal Chiang and the necessity to continue the Northern Expedition. Such notables as General Li Chai-sum, Tang Yin-wah, Mayor Lam Wen-koi are on the lecture programme.

Financial Crisis.

The financial crisis is now settled, at least to all appearances. The bankers and other merchants have undertaken to raise the $10,000,000 loan for the stablisation of the Central Bank. The six executive officials of the Chamber of Commerce were released last Friday. Most banks have resumed their business but several of them are still closed.

The Government requires the loan to be paid in Central Bank notes and there is a demand for these notes which means a restoration of their previous credit. Treasury officials still attribute the crisis to the mischievous work of seditionists and speculators.

Arms Carrying.

Following the discovery of arms in recent raids on Communist dens and other places, the Police Authorities have cancelled all licenses to carry arms by individuals. The licences were issued before the *coup* on Good Friday when the radicals were in power and freely issued out licences. The police now prohibit the carrying of arms unless the holder gets a new license from the Police Headquarters.

Fighting on Border.

It is reported that General Chin Ta-kwan's troops were engaged in a battle with the soldiers of General Yip Ting a few days ago, the scene of the conflict being on the Fukien-Kiangsi border

According to the report, General Chin suffered some reverses as his troops were poor fighters. He was sent to Fukien to meet the invasion of General Yip Ting who is bent on returning to Canton. Although General Chin lost about 100 men, his presence in that vicinity has retarded the onward march of Yip's forces towards this City.

MISS BERYL SIDNEY.

Miss Beryl Sidney who is a talented member of the Forbes-Russell Comedy Company, which is opening a season at the Theatre Royal on Sept. 16.

Two Chinese, the owner of the car and his chauffeur, had a narrow escape from serious injuries when their four-seater plunged down a ten-foot embankment on the main road near Aberdeen yesterday. The car was damaged, but the men sustained only superficial injuries. At the time of the accident, the owner was being taught how to drive the car, the driver being seated beside him.

AMERICA & CHINA.

SHANGHAI CHAMBER DENOUNCED.

RELATIONS "THREATENED."

"The attention of the Nationalist Government authorities has been called to the activities of the American Chamber of Commerce in Shanghai, which organization apparently has departed from the usual policy of o trade chamber and is "devoting itself to propaganda calculated to induce the American Government to intervene in a military way in China," according to a Kuo Min News Agency report.

In this connexion, a spokesman of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs said last week that particular attention had been directed to recent resolutions and cables which has been sent to Washington, D. C., by the American Chamber demanding that the American Marines be used to prevent China from increasing her customs duties, reports the *Shanghai Times*, quoting the aforesaid news agency.

In addition to this recent action, reports have reached the Government from the United States that the American Chamber of Commerce in Shanghai has been circulating newspapers and trade bodies in America with "literature" compiled by notorious tools of local "diehard" interests which contain unwarranted attacks upon the Nationalist Government and its officials, the general purpose of which apparently is to get the American Government to become embroiled in the imperialist conspiracy for military intervention in China.

"A Serious Matter."

In reference to the activities of the American Chamber of Commerce in Shanghai referred to, the Foreign Office spokesman pointed out that whilst the Nationalist Government welcomes legitimate criticism and co-operation on the part of foreign commercial organizations in China, nevertheless when a foreign chamber of commerce, such as the local American organization, departs from legitimate commercial pursuits and transforms itself into a propaganda organization for the dissemination of information inimical to the friendly relations of China and America, then it becomes a matter of serious concern which the Nationalist Government cannot overlook.

China and America have enjoyed peaceful and friendly relations for nearly a century and a half, the first American commercial ship visiting Canton only a short time following the successful conclusion of the American Revolution against domination by European Imperialism. For many years American merchants traded peacefully at Canton with the Chinese merchants even before China and America entered into treaty relationship, America has never been aggressive toward China as have other nations; and China has almost always been able to look to America as a disinterested friend at critical periods, as for instance, the Open Door Policy, the return of the Boxer Indemnity, and the efforts of Secretary Hughes to give China a square deal at the Washington Conference.

Warning Issued.

Unfortunately, however the local American Chamber of Commerce seems to have come under the influence of certain European imperialistic interests and for several months has been conducting propaganda detrimental to the friendly relations of China and American and also detrimental to the best interests of those American merchants solely concerned in the development of trade between China and the United States.

In view of the fact that the American Chamber has its headquarters on Chinese soil, the Nationalist Government is forced to call attention to this matter and to issue a warning that unless the American Chamber ceases its underhanded activities, the Nationalist Government will be forced to bring the matter to the attention of the American authorities and ask that action be taken by the American authorities to curb the Chamber whose pro-imperialist activities serve merely to provoke and alienate all Chinese interested in the continuance of friendly relations between our country and America.

Denial By Mr. Manely.

Denial that the American Chamber of Commerce in Shanghai cabled Washington asking that American marines be utilized to prevent the collection of increased taxes of the Nationalist Government was made by Mr. Warren Manely, Secretary of the Chamber, to the *Shanghai Times.*

The Chamber, Mr. Manely stated, did request the American Government to take such action as may be necessary to protect American export to China against all illegal

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MERCHANT HIDES HIS WEALTH.

EVADING THE GOVERNMENT AT CANTON.

STORY OF WHEELBARROW.

(A Special Correspondent.)

Canton, Sept. 4.

Many stories are being told in the city of how merchants and storekeepers tried to outwit the government and get away with money which was their own property, during the stressful days of last week.

As soon as the rumour was circulated that the Government was making more demands and was making a round of the houses ascertaining how much money the people possessed, many of the business men, collecting their cash, hurriedly made "a bee line" for Shameen. Orders were later issued that anyone found entering Shameen with money was to be arrested and the money confiscated. The police made many arrests, most of them at night when, under cover of darkness, merchants made daring attempts to evade the "law." One small storekeeper, having as his worldly wealth $8,000 attempted to get away by climbing over the roofs of the houses in his district. He was discovered and arrested, however, and all his saving confiscated.

An amusing story is told of a rich merchant, well-known in the city, and with near relatives holding important positions at Hongkong, who did manage to evade the Government and has got clear away with a considerable amount of silver coin which his business demanded that he always keep on the premises. The bulk of his fortune, and he is reputed to be nearly a millionaire, is in the safe keeping of a foreign banking firm. On hearing of the working of the Government plan he acted quickly, a theatrical troupe on the outskirts of the city coming to his assistance. Not trusting any of his fokis he decided to give them the day off to spend how they liked but he intimated that it would be an opportunity for them to visit the theatre. Usually a generous master, the fokis saw nothing strange in this move and only too gladly jumped at the chance of a day's leave. Then, as the merchant says, for he has been interviewed by the writer, the fun commenced. The wife and female servants were away from the house and so "we were without hinderance."

The merchant took into his confidence his nephew, a clerk in the business. The first job, and it is probably the hardest work that the merchant has ever done, was the counting out and making into small parcels, this amount of silver coin. They worked at it all one evening and far away into the night and when all was completed put the money into rice sacks and covered the amount with ordinary rice. It one be imagined how much money was involved when the sacks used were six in number. The sacks, apparently full of rice, were then carried to a waiting hand cart and early in the morning the merchant and his accomplice, stripped and in coolie trousers and with begrimed hands and faces, trundled this handcart into the city, thus giving the appearance of two coolies commencing their day's work.

When about half way on their journey, (and the merchant refuses to say where their destination was and where the money has been stowed) they were overtaken by a small company of soldiers on the march. The soldiers seeing the "coolies" played their usual trick of loading the truck with kit and commandeering labour. The merchant good-naturedly, but with a pretence of grumbling, agreed to aid the soldiers along the route, one worthy man at arms taking a seat on the bags of "rice." The soldiers imagined that the laugh was on the poor old man as he appeared to them but as we know the boot was on the other foot. After going a long way out of his road the merchant was allowed to depart and, since he had been a help to the troops, he was given fifty cents as "cumshaw." He eventually stored his money safety away and returned to the city and he is now making preparations to leave for a land where the Government is not quite so grasping.

"The fifty cent tip that I received," he says, "I am presenting to the government to help defray military expenses."

In H. M. Supreme Court at Shanghai, his Honour Judge Grain has given judgement for the plaintiff in the sum of Tls. 6,000 and costs in a case in which Mrs. Marie Branstatter claimed Tls. 10,000 damages from Mr. H. O. White for injury received in a motor car accident.

FUKIEN EXPORTS.

HANDLING OF LOCAL PRODUCTS.

TRAFFIC ON MIN RIVER.

The Min River forms the main artery of commerce between the Fukien interior and the sea coast. The portion of the river between Yangkow and its estuary is broad and free from gorges or rapids. Above Yangkow the river branches off into two tributaries: the Tung Chi or eastern tributary and the Hsi Chi or western tributary, both draining a highly mountainous country, rich in raw materials. By the Tung Chi such districts as Kienning and Pucheng can be reached and by the Hsi Chi, Diongloh, Shaowu, etc. Both these waterways are called in Chinese *chi*, or mountain stream, because they are narrow and difficult to navigate for ordinary junks, states the *Chinese Economic Bulletin.* Only some types of specially constructed vessels can negotiate the shallows and rapids. For cargo traffic three types of boats are commonly employed on the different sections of the Min River. Between Foochow and Yangkow, a type of flat-bottomed boat, about 40-60 feet from bow to stern and capable of carrying 200-300 piculs of cargo, is the common means of conveyance. The boat, though having a shallow draft, is not capable of negotiating the rapids or coping with swift currents. Above Yangkow, two types of boats, the "sparrow boat" and the "dove-tail boat", are employed. The "sparrow boat" is about 20 feet long and capable of loading 20-30 piculs. Its bottom is so constructed that it can be easily towed over rapids. The "dove-tail boat" is bigger than the "sparrow boat" and can navigate both the upper and the lower portions of the river.

Bamboo, Tea and Rice.

The chief exports from the interior consist of rice, timber, paper, bamboo shoots, and tea while the imports are cotton cloth, kerosene oil, salt, wheat flour and other manufactures.

The bulk of rice consumed in Foochow comes from Pucheng, Kienning, Shaowu and other districts near the head waters of the Min River.

For food stuffs Foochow used to depend largely upon the rice produced in the interior. In recent years there has been a sharp falling-off in the rice export figure of the interior. The decline is from 800,000 to 300,000 piculs a year, and Fukien rice dealers have to import rice from the coastal ports of other provinces to make up the balance. The decline has been caused chiefly by disturbed conditions.

The rice, exported from the various back country districts, is shipped by a class of local exporters in "sparrow boats" to Yenping a riverine port about 400 li above Foochow, where the cargo is reloaded into flat-bottomed vessels and brought down to Foochow to be sold.

Timber and Paper.

Timber is another staple export of the Fukien interior, the transportation and marketing of timber, and next in importance is paper, of which more than a dozen varieties are produced in Fukien backwoods, where bamboo groves thrive. In former years the yearly export figure used to represent

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HOW MUCH DO YOU KNOW?

TO-DAY'S QUESTIONS.

The following general knowledge paper has been taken from the *Daily Express.*

Answers, for those who need them, will be found on Page 14 of this issue.

1. *Who was Piero della Francesca?*
2. *Who was the first of the great Florentine painters?*
3. *Which famous Flemish painter was, first the pupil of Hendrick Van Balen, and, later, of Sir Peter Paul Ribens?*
4. *What were the chief characteristics of Meissonier's painting?*
5. *Who was the great contemporary of Peter de Hooch, noted for the wonderful beauty, refinement, and tone in his interiors with figures?*
6. *Name a famous French flower painter.*
7. *Whose work was the "Nymph of Fontainebleau," now in the Louvre, and where was it executed?*
8. *What was the "Romantic" movement in Art? Who were its leaders in France?*
9. *What great painter, who was Michel Angelo's contemporary, painted the Stanza in the Vatican, and also the portrait of Pope Julius II.?*
10. *Who was the greatest American painter who ever lived?*
11. *Name some famous Flemish painters who began their careers by working for Rubens.*
12. *Who painted a Pagan goddess as a decoration in a Christian church?*

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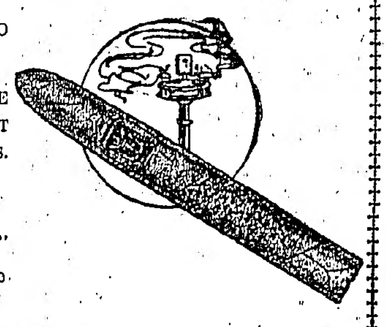

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FUKIEN EXPORTS.

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a total value of $4,000,000-$5,000,000, but it has now declined to barely $2,000,000. The paper is exported by the same types of boats, packed in cylindrical bamboo crates.

The paper produced in Fukien interior is made entirely from pulp prepared from young bamboo canes.

The bamboo forests in Fukien interior produce another staple export, bamboo shoots, which rival paper in commercial importance. Bamboo shoots are exported in both raw and prepared state. The winter crop, which consists of mere buds dug out of the earth, is exported in a raw state. It is more costly than the other kinds and forms a table delicacy for Chinese epicures. The other kinds are gathered at a more grown up stage and fetch lower prices. They are usually cut and dried or sometimes pickled before being exported. It is estimated that about 7,000,000 catties of bamboo shoots of different varieties are exported to Foochow from the interior every year. Only a small quantity is, however, consumed on the Foochow local market, the bulk being exported to other coastal ports, including Shanghai, Hongkong and Swatow. Among the other exports from Fukien backwoods are medicine, mushrooms, firewood, wood oil, camphor and lotus seeds.

Import Trade.

Among the imports from Foochow to the interior are salt, cotton cloth, and kerosene oil. The cargo is transported by the same kinds of boats, although the business is handled by different groups of merchants. The total yearly sales figure on the market of the interior amounts to over a million dollars. For salt, the interior depends entirely on the import from Foochow. In the year before last there was a salt famine in the interior caused by bandit activities, which interrupted the salt traffic between Foochow and the interior, with the result that in certain districts salt was sold at over $10 a picul.

About $800,000 worth of different varieties of cotton cloth are exported from Foochow to the interior by the cloth dealers from the interior, who usually send down buying agents to Foochow to make the purchase, very few Foochow merchants exporting cloth to the interior on their own account. About $100,000 worth of kerosene oil is consumed in the interior.

The other commodities consumed in the interior are wheat flour, sugar, dried oysters, salt fish, imported indigo, stearing candles, soap, glass and other kinds of both foreign and home manufactures.

Bandits and Taxes.

The chief deterrent to the trade between Foochow and the interior is the physical difficulties encountered in the mountain streams though banditry and high *likin* dues in recent years have also greatly aggravated the position of the traders.

It has taxed the ingenuity of Fukien ship-wrights to design craft to negotiate the upper reaches of the Min River. The boatmen often meet with great difficulties at the shallows and rapids, especially in the low water season. At some points the boats have to be laboriously towed, and sometimes even lifted bodily over the shallows and rapids.

Banditry and high *likin* tax used to be great curses to the trades, but conditions have now been much improved.

A special office has been organised for the maintenance of peace and order in the interior, and the majority of the bandits have either been suppressed or absorbed into the army.

The Empress of Asia is due here from Manila on Monday morning next and will berth at Kowloon wharf. The Empress of Canada left Vancouver on Thursday last and is due here on the 19th., on which day also, the Empress of Russia is due to reached Vancouver from Yokoohama.

Governor General Wood's death is lamented by a friend who had never met him personally in a letter received at Malacanan the other day. This friend of the deceased executive is no other than Sir Hugh Clifford, Governor of the Straits Settlements and High Commissioner of the Federated Malay States. Sir Hugh Clifford, in his letter, says in part: "Although I had never met the Governor General personally, we had corresponded for some time and I had the highest opinion of his high ideals and sterling character. At the news of his death I felt that I had lost the best friend I over had."

PHILIPPINE COASTER WRECKED.

GOES AGROUND ON CORAL ROCKS.

PASSENGERS AND CREW SAFE.

Manila, Aug. 31.

The steamship Ntra. Stra. de Begona, owned and operated by Mauro Prieto, president of the Philippine Agricultural congress, is stranded on the coral rocks of Ticlines, in Ticao Pass between the island of Ticao and Sorsogon province, and is considered by its captain a total loss.

Captain Francisco Fabregas, in command, has dispatched the following telegram to Mr. Prieto:

"At 3 a.m., August 20, Begona aground Ticlines. Total loss. Ship in five fathoms of water. The bow is above water while the stern is submerged. Passengers and crew safe. Await your instructions."

Immediately upon receipt of the above, Mr. Prieto sent the following telegram:

"Captain Francisco Fabregas: Attend to passengers and crew. Inform if boat can be saved. Specify details of accident. Do not abandon the ship. Wait for further orders. Prieto."

Up to the time of going to press, no reply was received from Captain Fabregas. The captain's telegram was forwarded from Bulan, in Sorsogon, and Mr. Prieto's answer was directed there also.

Mr. Prieto took steps yesterday to give immediate assistance to the steamer. A salvage ship, belonging to the Atlantic, Gulf and Pacific company yesterday sailed for the scene. Mr. Prieto has also instructed his business connexions in Samar to send the motor steamer Carmencho to aid the wreck.

Loss Undetermined.

Up to yesterday, the owner could not determine the loss. It was stated that weather and sea conditions in Ticao Pass are extraordinarily severe, and that if the vessel was aground in a depth of five fathoms, salvage work would be difficult or impossible.

It is understood that the Begona carried a considerable amount of cargo, part of which is said to be covered by insurance. Mr. Prieto declared that probably few passengers were aboard.

The bureau of customs will investigate the accident.

The Begona, according to Mr. Prieto, had been recently repaired in the slipways of the Manila Drydock company. Following the repairs, a thorough inspection of the vessel was made by the bureau of customs, it was stated.

The Begona has been owned by Mr. Prieto for six years, having been bought from Mariano Tuason.

The vessel was formerly the Penguin. It is 28 years old, and was constructed in Scotland by J. McArthur and company. Its gross capacity is 497 tons. The vessel is 146 feet long, 27 feet beam, and 10 feet draft.

It carried a full complement of officers, and a crew of 30. Captain Fabregas had been in command nearly a year. The vessel was insured.

AMERICA AND CHINA.

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taxes, impositions, levies, extortions in violation of existing trade agreements between the Republic of America, and that it immediately issue a public declaration of its intention to do so.

Resolutions Fowarded.

The above is contained in the resolution fowarded to Secretary Kellogg as well as Minister MacMurray.

The second and third paragraphs of the resolution follow:

Second. That as a preliminary measure calculated to afford temportary protection the United States Government be and is hereby requested to authorize its conhular officials in China to acceptment payment of the present lawful 5 per cent. import duty and 2½ per cent. surtax on goods imported from the United States of America, and thereupon to issue in due form permits for the landing and delivery of such goods—this authority, however, to be exercised by the said consular officials only in case the Chinese Maritime Customs refuses or neglects to function as herein contemplated; and

Third: That the Uuited States Government be and is hereby requested to authorize the employment of the American forces now in China to guard American goods against unlawful seize or restraint while in progress of importation into China.

CHIANG'S ROLE.

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discipline because it must go back to the party locals for authority. In a word, it is the meeting-house days of democracy carrying through a feudal-military period, functioning over a tremendous area of a revolution-torn country. Yet, it somehow carries on. No calculations of the future of China can be made without it. No assumptions as to political activities in China can be made except on the basis that the Kuomintang will continue to make itself felt, openly or secretly, somewhere in China.

Chiang and Feudalism.

General Chiang Kai-shek was more suited to Northern feudalism than for the Kuomintang. He could not submit to Party discipline. He found the talkey-talk of the meetings irksome. He wanted to dicate, to control, to dominate. And the Party resisted him until he found himself in the impossible position of a leader without a following. That is what has happened to so many men in the Kuomintang who sought to control the Party individually. Somewhere in the mass organization of the Kuomintang is there this resistance to individualism. Somewhere in all the weakness of the moment, is there a hidden strength which keep out the tyrant. Sooner or later, he must go as so many so-called powerful political figures have been forced to go in the Kuomintang. The passing of Chiang Kai-shek and Michael Borodin are characteristic of the same trend: no dictatorship by an individual. The Party had rather suffer defeat and remain democratic than enjoy victories under a dictatorship.

Some foreigners in China, new inexperienced, fresh to conditions here have sought to make a mythical figure of Chiang Kai-shek. They have sought to develop him as a grandiose personality who eats foreign food with a knife and fork instead of with chop-sticks, who mysteriously moves hidden forces beneath the surface, like some detective-story account of a Chinese highbinder. All that is the childish trivialities of sensation seekers who see in China only a few outstanding personalities whose names they can remember but who fail to fathom the stronger currents of mass movements, the rise of a generation accustomed to political thought and seeking some characteristically Chinese form of political action, which has not yet been found.

Chiang Kai-shek's error commenced in 1923 when he was invited to become principal of the Whampoa Military Academy by Dr. Sun Yat-sen. He did not rise to even noticeable importance until after Dr. Sun's death in 1925. He has not been a factor long enough to leave a permanent impress upon the country. His military campaigns were won when the Russians advised him. His political victories were won when he was a big pea in a small pod in the city of Canton. His military failures began when the Russians left him; his political failures commenced when he attempted to operate in the whole territory of China south of the Yangtsze. His collapse came when the older and historically more important men in the Party sought a union of forces to which he was an impediment. The unification movement passed over him as a tank passes over dead stumps.

THE CANTON BANK LEVY.

LOCAL BRANCH WAITS ISSUE.

At the Head Office of the Bank of Canton, this morning it was stated that negotiations are proceeding between the Canton Government and the Bank, following the former's demand for a million-dollar loan, on no other security than that of a military bond issue.

In the absence of the officials of the Canton branch, who have come down to Hongkong, these negotiations are being pursued through a third party, who, up to date, has communicated nothing definite to the waiting officials here.

Business has been completely suspended in the case of the Canton branch, and it is indicated that whatever funds are held by it now are locked up within the vaults.

After Mrs. Frances Emmerson, aged 88, had returned with her third husband, Mr. John Fozard, aged 81, from a Leeds Register Office, she explained: Mr. Fozard has been calling to see me for some time and as both of us are receiving the old age pension I thought we had better make a match of it and then the neighbours would have nothing to talk about."

"TELEGRAPH" FOOTBALL COMPETITION.

PRIZE OF $50 WEEKLY FOR EASY FORECASTS.

The "Hongkong Telegraph" offers a prize of $50 to the readers who send in twelve correct forecasts of the results of the English and Scottish Football League matches (to be played on Saturday next, September 10th) set out in the Coupon below. No goal scores are required; only forecasts showing wins or draws.

In the event of no reader forecasting all twelve matches, a prize of $25 will be given to the reader who sends in the greatest number of correct forecasts; and in the event of two or more readers sending in an equal high number, the prize of $25 will be divided.

Read the Rules below and follow them carefully:—

Rules of Competition.

1. All forecasts must be contained on coupons cut from the "Hongkong Telegraph," the name of address of the entrant to be plainly printed in block letters in ink.

2. All envelopes must be addressed to the "Hongkong Telegraph," 1/3, Wyndham Street, and marked "Football Competition" on the front, with sender's name (without address) on the back.

3. Any number of attempts may be sent in, but a separate coupon must be used for each attempt.

4. The prize of $50 will be awarded to the competitor who sends in twelve correct forecasts on one coupon. If there is no correct forecast of all twelve matches, a prize of $25 will be awarded to the competitor who sends in the greatest number of correct forecasts on one coupon. In the event of more than one competitor forwarding an equal winning number of forecasts, the $25 will be divided equally between such competitors. No competitor, however, will be entitled to more than one share of the prize.

5. All forecast coupons must reach the "Telegraph" office not later than 12 o'clock (noon) on Saturdays. Coupons received after that time will be disqualified.

6. The results of each week's Competition will be announced in the "Telegraph" of the Fridays following the dates on which the matches are played.

7. Competitors who have forwarded eight or more correct forecasts must send in claims for the prize. Envelopes containing such claims must be marked "Football Claim" and must reach this office not later than the Wednesday following the dates on which the matches are played, failing which they will not be considered. No prize will be awarded for which a claim has not been made.

8. The "Telegraph" will accept no responsibility for the loss or non-delivery of coupons. No correspondence or interviews will be entered into concerning this Competition.

"HONGKONG TELEGRAPH" FORECAST COMPETITION.

Matches to be played on September 10th:—

DIVISION I.

Cardiff	v	Middlesbro.
Everton	v	Birmingham.
West Ham	v	Portsmouth.

DIVISION II.

Leeds	v	Notts F.
Fulham	v	Chelsea.

DIVISION III. (SOUTH).

Q. P. R.	v	Brentford.
Merthyr	v	Walsall.

DIVISION III. (NORTH).

Crewe	v	N. Brighton.
Nelson	v	Rotherham.

SCOTTISH LEAGUE.

Partick	v	Rangers.
St. Mirren	v	Raith R.
Bo'ness	v	Dundee.

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Address .....

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No. 2. Date .....

9. No match contained in the coupon which, from any cause, is not played to a finish will be counted.

10. No member of the "Telegraph" staff will be permitted to compete in this competition.

11. The Editor's decision must be accepted as final on all points in dispute in connexion with the Competition.

MARK YOUR ENVELOPES "FOOTBALL" ON THE FRONT, AND WRITE YOUR NAME (WITHOUT ADDRESS) ON THE BACK OF THE ENVELOPE.

Strike out the teams which you think will lose, but make no marks in respect of matches which you think will be drawn.

If you forecast eight or more results correctly on one coupon, don't forget to make a claim not later than the Wednesday following.

Watch the "Telegraph" on Fridays for results.

PAPER MONEY.

ORIGIN IN CHINA?

In an article on paper money, ancient and modern, a special correspondent of *The Times* (Trade Supplement) Banking Section referring to the earliest issues, mentions that in the middle of the thirteenth century Marco Polo found a real paper money in circulation in China. It was made from the inner bark of a tree, beaten up and converted into paper, square pieces of which were signed and sealed with great formality. These notes were legal tender and of various values, death being the penalty for those who refused to receive them, and also for counterfeiters. When worn or torn they could be exchanged for new ones without charge.

After describing the origin of the European system of bank notes, the writer says: The most noteworthy feature of the Bank of England notes is the unique character of the paper, so remarkably thin and yet so wonderfully strong and with such a clear watermark. It is a monopoly of the Bank of England. It is not generally known that when any bank note that has been issued and circulated through the country is received back by the Bank of England, it is never allowed to circulate again, even though it may be in new condition, but is stored in the vaults of the Bank for at least five years. In these vaults are stored notes—all of which have been cancelled, of course—to the number of 91 millions. They are kept in 16,000 boxes, which, if placed side by side, would extend a distance of nearly three miles. If the notes themselves were placed in a pile they would reach a length of seven miles; or, if placed end to end, would form a ribbon 11,847 miles long. Their original value was over £1,388,000,000 and their weight is nearly 93 tons. So excellent is the system, of filing, recording and storing that the officials of the Bank of England can turn up any one of the 91 million bank notes kept for the period of five years in the space of five minutes.

SHANGHAI OPIUM SMOKERS.

TO REGISTER OR NOT?

The estimated 200,000 opium smokers of Shanghai and suburbs are wondering to-day just how and where they stand with regard to the proclamation issued by the Shanghai Opium Suppression Bureau yesterday to the effect that henceforth they may smoke in peace and comfort without the disquieting thought that at any moment a police raiding party might burst through their door and unceremoniously drag them from the divan, says the *Shanghai Times* of Monday last.

According to the proclamation, the only restriction governing future free smoking is that each smoker shall take out a licence for which he shall pay something like $10 which will enable him to enjoy the freedom of a legalized pipe, or as many pipes as he likes, for the period of one month. If he suddenly wakes up on the morning of the first of the month and discovers that his licence has expired, he must withhold indulgence in the insidious drug pending such time as he may have it renewed. Otherwise he becomes subject to "severe punishment."

Whether Shanghai's opium smokers will take advantage of this official "protection" and buy licences for themselves remains to be seen. The majority of them have smoked on the strict "Q. T." for years and have "got away with it." By taking out licences for themselves they throw the spotlight of publicity upon this bad habit of theirs and also upon the door to the collecting agent of the Opium Suppression Bureau. Further, they may suddenly decide to give up opium smoking, in which case they would not require any more licences. It does not mean, however, that the collector would believe them when they told him this.

No, it does not look like a very sound scheme as far as the opium smokers go, at any rate. Dealers may take advantage of it. But then again, they likewise throw the spotlight of publicity upon themselves. They have managed to operate comparatively successfully for many years already. Being gamblers at heart, they will probably elect to continue without this official protection.

LAWN BOWLS.

SECOND DIVISION CHAMPIONSHIP.

The second division championship of the Hongkong Lawn Bowls League has been won by the Kowloon Cricket Club. They played their last match on Saturday, when they journeyed to the Yacht Club and returned victorious by 27 shots. It is impossible now for any other team to secure as many points as the K.C.C. Of their fourteen matches they won 11, the three defeats being at the hands of the East Point (twice) and Taikoo.

The only interest now remaining in the League is the runners-up position, which will be secured by either East Point or Taikoo.

Only one first division match was played yesterday, this being between the Kowloon Bowling Green Club and the Civil Service C.C. The Civil Service won a very interesting game by eleven shots.

The match between Kowloon Dock and Taikoo was postponed on account of the death of Mrs. Macaskill, whose funeral took place on Saturday afternoon.

DIVISION I.

K.B.G.C. v. Civil Service.

On their own green, the Kowloon B.G.C. lost to the Civil Service C.C. by 11 shots. Scores:

K. B. G. C.		C. S. C. C.	
R. Duncan		A. H. Oswick	
A. Macfarlane		H. H. Rose	
J. Maclachlan		F. Deakin	
P. T. Farrell	10	A. W. Grimmitt	28
R. Hunter		J. Beattie	
D. Harvey		R. A. Smith	
D. Hazel		F. Holledge	
W. Russell	19	T. D. E. Pendered	17
J. Budding		P. Keegan	
T. Magill		H. Westlake	
D. Muir		B. E. Maughan	
W. Macfarlane	25	A. O. Brawn	20
	54		65

DIVISION II.

Yacht Club v. Kowloon C.C.

At North Point, the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club lost to the Kowloon C.C. by 27 shots. Scores:—

R.H.K.Y.C.		K.C.C.	
Reed		A. Kern	
Finn		B. Petheram	
Hammond		W. J. F. Gorvin	
Edwards	10	A. W. Smith	26
Croucher		F. Hamblin	
Jones		F. E. Lawrence	
Wood		F. Wragge	
Davies	19	F. Herridge	20
Vaux		W. W. Hirst	
Greig		J. C. Lyal	
Farmer		A. J. Smith	
Shields	13	L. E. Lampert	23
	42		69

LEAGUE TABLES.

The positions in the League to date are:—

Division I.

	P.	W.	D.	L.	Pts.
Kowloon D.R.C.	11	11	0	0	22
Taikoo R.C.	11	7	1	3	15
Police R.C.	12	6	0	6	12
Kowloon B.G.C.	12	5	1	6	11
Civil Service C.C.	12	5	0	7	10
Craigengower C.C.	12	5	0	7	10
Kowloon C.C.	12	1	0	11	2

Shots for and Against.

	For	Agst.	Up	Dn.
Kowloon D.R.C.	702	544	158	—
Taikoo R.C.	690	599	91	—
Kowloon B.G.C.	723	695	28	—
Civil Service C.C.	723	706	17	—
Police R.C.	688	729	—	41
Craigengower C.C.	661	715	—	54
Kowloon C.C.	562	761	—	199

Division II.

	P.	W.	D.	L.	Pts.
Kowloon C.C.	14	11	0	3	22
East Point R.C.	14	10	0	4	20
Taikoo R.C.	12	8	1	3	17
Kowloon B.G.C.	13	8	0	5	16
Club de Recreio	14	5	1	8	11
Civil Service C.C.	14	5	0	9	10
Craigengower C.C.	14	4	0	10	8
Royal H.K.Y.C.	11	1	0	10	2

Shots for and Against

	For	Agst.	Up	Dn.
Kowloon C.C.	862	733	129	—
East Point R.C.	845	722	123	—
Taikoo R.C.	743	651	92	—
Kowloon B.G.C.	773	699	74	—
Club de Recreio	786	806	—	20
Civil Service C.C.	752	838	—	86
Craigengower C.C.	745	846	—	101
Royal H.K.Y.C.	540	751	—	211

FRIENDLY MATCH.

C.S.C.C. v. Recreio.

In a friendly match on their own green, the Civil Service C.C. second team defeated the Club de Recreio by two shots. Scores:

C.S.C.C.		C. de R.	
J. Riddell		E. Sousa	
F. H. Holdman		P. Yvanovich	
R. T. Taylor		C. Marques	
J. Archibald	17	J. Britto	32
S. Alderman		C. Vas	
S. M. Flegg		H. Sequeira	
P. T. Lamble		R. Luz	
A. B. Allen	22	J. Ribeiro	18
S. Eccleshall		F. X. Silva	
E. Longbottom		J. Ribeiro	
J. Massey		C. Silva	
F. Haynes	31	L. C. R. Souza	18
	70		68

The Trial Games.

The Selection Committee have arranged for the first of the Interport trial games to be played on the Craigengower green on Sunday afternoon next.

CRICKET.

SCHOOLBOYS DRAW WITH SOLDIERS.

A team from the Diocesan Boys' School played a friendly game with the British General Hospital on the latter's ground. Despite the fact that the soldiers scored only 96 runs, the schoolboys could not force a win, being just two runs short when play ceased.

The scores were as follows:

B.G.H.

Captain Bonavia, c. G. Lee, b. Zimmern	39
Cpl. Dodson, b. A. Lee	0
Pte. Carter, b. A. Lee	18
Pte. Moore, c. A. Lee b. Zimmern	15
Cpl. Davis c. and b. Zimmern	0
Thompson, b. A. Lee	7
Pte. Arthurs, b. R. Lee	8
Q.M.S. Coad, c. Kwan, b. Zimmern	0
Pte. Page, b. R. Lee	1
Pte. Goodyer, c. and b. Zimmern	5
Pte. Sparks, c. and, b. R. Lee	0
Pte. Baynes, not out	0
Extras	3
Total	96

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
A. Lee	10	1	24	3
W. H. Kwan	3	0	25	0
D. J. N. Anderson	5	1	26	0
F. R. Zimmern	4.2	1	18	5
R. Lee	1	1	0	3

D.B.S.

D. J. N. Anderson, b. Coad	2
F. R. Zimmern, b. Thompson	1
A. Lee, b. Carter	28
J. Fisher, c. Page, b. Thompson	19
G. A. Lee, b. Davis	12
W. H. Kwan, not out	21
F. K. Lee, run out	2
R. Lee, not out	0
Extras	10
Total (for 6 wkts.)	95

A. S. Kyum, A. Normanbhoy, E. S. Howard, A. Prata did not bat.

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Thompson	6	0	35	2
Q.M.S. Coad	4	0	18	1
Capt. Davis	2	0	14	1
Pte. Carter	5	1	18	1

Sindhi v Bohra.

The cricket match played yesterday afternoon at Sookunpoo between the Sindhi Merchants and Bohra Merchants resulted in the latter winning by 10 runs.

The scores:

Sindhi Merchants.

G. T. Thadani, b Hiptoola	0
G. P. Daswami, c Hiptoola, b Moosa Bhoy	22
U. T. Thadani, b Moosa Bhoy	3
F. G. Tharani, b Moosa Bhoy	0
H. Pritam, c and b Hiptoola	8
F. T. Milvani, c and b Maloo Bhoy	0
N. T. Utam, c Hiptoola	2
H. H. Mahtani, b Hiptoola	0
S. V. Thawrami, l.b.w., b Hiptoola	3
L. A. Mahtani, c Hiptoola, b Barma	13
S. D. Thawrami, l.b.w., b Hiptoola	8
M. H. Moorjani, not out	6
Extras	9
Total	74

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Hiptoola	9.4	2	24	5
Moosa Bhoy	2	–	4	1
Maloo Bhoy	5	1	14	3
Kyum	3	1	13	1
Yohybhoy	2	–	3	–
Barma	2	–	7	1

Bohra. Merchants.

A. T. Barma, c Karani, b Utumal	15
A. S. A. Kayam, l.b.w., b Utumal	20
H. T. Naswabhoy, b Utumal	9
E. M. F. Mahabhoy, b Karani	11
N. Mahomedally, c H. H. Mahtani, b Karani	0
F. Hiptoola, c H. H. Mahtani, b Utumal	14
Y. S. A. Tapia, c L. A. Mahtani, b Utumal	0
E. A. Ganjaiwalla, c Pritam, b Utumal	8
A. Moosa Bhoy, c Gurani, b Pritam	0
Y. A. Chapjack, c and b Utumal	0
M. Yohybhoy, c Sobhraj, b Utumal	2
M. O. M. Kyum, not out	0
Extras	5
Total	84

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Utumal	14	–	29	8
H. Pritam	10	–	23	1
Karani	4	–	28	2

YESTERDAY'S GAME.

Sanitary Department Beats Public Works.

Played on the Civil Service rink yesterday a team from the Sanitary Department met and defeated a team from the P.W.D. by 19 points to 12.

The P. W. D. led by 3-2 at the end of four heads and were not passed up to the ninth head when the score stood at 6-6. They managed to secure two points in the tenth head but the eleventh and twelfth went to the Sanitary department by a single on each occasion, so that the score stood at 8-8 at the end of twelve heads. Thereafter however the Sanitary department got the better of their opponents and added 11 more points in the next nine heads whilst the P. W. D. only obtained four.

P. W. D.		S. D.	
Rose		Smith	
Hollands		Roylance	
Keegan		Duncan	
Tacchi (Ship)	12	Hill (Ship)	19

SCHNEIDER CUP.

AMERICAN ENTRANT TO GO BY CRUISER.

Rapid City, Sept. 3.

President Coolidge has consented to a request of the Navy that Naval Lieutenant Williams, an American entrant for the Schnieder cup race at Venice, should be conveyed there with his specially-built seaplane aboard the cruiser "Trenton" if the tests of the seaplane are not completed in time to enable him to catch a liner.—*Reuter's American Service.*

AMERICAN TENNIS.

TILDEN AND HUNTER WIN IN SEMI-FINAL.

Brookline, Sept. 3.

In the United States national lawn tennis doubles George Lott, Jr., of Chicago, and John Doeg, of California, beat Cochet and Brugnon 6-3, 3-6, 6-3, 2-6, 9-7.

John Hennessy, of Indianapolis and Lucien Williams, of Chicago, beat Borotra and Lacoste 6-3, 6-2, 6-4.

In the semi-final Tilden and Hunter beat Lucien Williams and Hennessey 5-7, 6-2, 6-2, 6-3.—*Reuter's American Service.*

Brookline, Sept. 4.

Johnston and Williams beat Lott and Doeg 9-7, 6-4, 10-12, 8-6.—*Reuter's American Service.*

New York, Sept. 4.

In the National Mixed Doubles, Mrs. Chapin and Borotra beat Mrs. Mallory and Tilden 7-5, 8-6 and Eileen Bennett and Cochet beat Miss Boumann and Brugnon 6-3, 3-6, 6-4.—*Reuter's American Service.*

HOME FOOTBALL.

SATURDAY'S RESULTS.

London, Sept. 4.

High scoring again characterised the matches played in the principal Leagues, First Division teams scoring a total of 49 goals. The Arsenal were top scorers with six against Sheffield United. While the majority of teams have now played three matches, none in the Division have won all three, but Manchester United and Leicester have only dropped one point.

The feature of the matches in the Second Division was the scoring feat of Notts Forest. Playing against South Shields they netted seven times—the second time they have scored this number this season. The Forest team has played three games and scored sixteen goals. Bristol City and Stoke have not yet dropped a point.

In the Southern section of the Third Division, Torquay, the newcomers, succeeding in winning when playing away at Merthyr. Brighton and Queen's Park were also successful on away grounds.

Three teams in the Northern section have not yet scored a point, but on the other hand no team has earned full points.

The feature of the Scottish League matches was the number of away wins, six out of ten matches.

Full results as cabled by *Reuter* are given below.

Division I.

Arsenal	6	Sheffield U.	1
Birmingham	0	Manchester U.	0
Bolton	3	Blackburn	1
Burnley	2	Bury	3
Leicester	3	Sunderland	3
Liverpool	0	Aston Villa	0
Middlesbro	4	Everton	2
Newcastle	4	Tottenham	1
Portsmouth	2	Derby Cnty.	2
Wednesday	3	Cardiff	3
West Ham	4	Huddersfield	2

Division II.

Bristol C.	2	Oldham	1
Chelsea	3	Blackpool	0
Clapton O.	3	Reading	0
Hull	2	Wolves	0
Leeds U.	2	Southampton	0
Manchester C.	1	Port Vale	0
Notts For.	7	Sth. Shields	2
Preston N. E.	1	Barnsley	2
Stoke	3	Notts County	0
Swansea	2	Fulham	1
West Brom.	3	Grimsby	1

Division III (South).

Brentford	2	Bournemouth	1
Coventry	3	Charlton	3
Crystal Pal.	1	Northampton	0
Exeter	2	Norwich	2
Gillingham	3	Bristol R.	1
Luton	2	Brighton	5
Merthyr	1	Torquay	3
Millwall	5	Southend	1
Newport	3	Watford	2
Swindon	0	Queen's P.R.	2
Walsall	2	Plymouth	1

Division III (North).

Accrington	2	Wigan	4
Bradford C.	4	Crewe	1
Durham	1	Tranmere	3
Halifax	1	Chesterfield	2
Hartlepools	1	Doncaster	0
Lincoln	1	Darlington	0
New Brighton	6	Ashington	0
Rochdale	1	Nelson	0
Rotherham	3	Barrow	0
Southport	4	Stockport	0
Wrexham	1	Bradford	1

Scottish League.

Clyde	1	Motherwell	2
Dundee	4	Partick T.	2
Dunfermline	1	St. Mirren	2
Falkirk	1	Cowdenbeath	3
Hamilton	1	Hearts	6
Hibernians	2	Airdrieonians	3
Kilmarnock	3	Bo'ness	1
Raith R.	0	Celtic	3
Queen's Park	4	Aberdeen	3
Rangers	5	St. Johnstone	1

LAWN TENNIS.

PRIZE DISTRIBUTION AT INDIAN CLUB.

By defeating I. A. Razack, the local champion, S. A. Rumjahn won the championship of the Indian Recreation Club on Saturday. Razack put up a good fight, but lost in three straight sets, the scores being 7-5, 6-2, 6-0.

The prize distribution took place after the match and there was quite a gathering of members and friends. Mrs. S. A. Hussain distributed the prizes.

The prize winners were:

Singles championship:—1, S. A. Rumjahn; 2, I. A. Razack.

Doubles championship:—1, S. A. and A. H. Rumjahn; 2, S. A. Hussain and Y. A. Wahab.

Singles handicap:—1, S. S. Hussain; 2, H. D. Rumjahn.

Doubles handicap:—1, S. S. Hussain and S. A. R. Bux; 2, Y. A. Wahab and A. R. Azan.

Novices championship:—1, M. Y. Adal; 2, Ajit Singh.

During the afternoon, a team from the staff of the Hongkong Electric Co. played against a side from the Indian R. C., the home team winning by three games. Scores:

S. S. Hussain and A. R. Azan (I.R.C.) lost to D. Mohamed and S. A. G. Mohamed 5-6; beat S. A. R. Bux and A. R. Minu 8-3; beat Y. A. Wahab and M. Hassan 7-4.

S. A. R. Ismail and F. M. el Arculli (I. R. C.) lost to D. Mohamed and S. A. G. Mohamed 2-9; lost to S. A. R. Bux and A. R. Minu 4-7; lost to Y. A. Wahab and M. Hassan 5-6.

S. A. Hussain and O. Hoosen (I. R. C.) beat D. Mohamed and S. A. G. Mohamed 6-5; beat S. A. R. Bux and A. R. Minu 7-4; beat Y. A. Wahab and M. Hassan 7-4.

K. C. C. v Services.

The Kowloon C. C. received a team from the Services at tennis on Saturday and won by 19 games. Scores:

E. C. Fincher and E. F. Fincher (K. C. C.) lost to Lt. Frowen and Capt. Howard 5-6; beat Lt. Webb and Lt. Dale 8-3; beat Lt. Hunt and Capt. Leavy 7-4.

W. Hyde and C. E. Millard (K. C. C.) beat Lt. Frowen and Capt. Howard 6-5; beat Lt. Webb and Lt. Dale 8-3; beat Lt. Hunt and Capt. Leavy 7-4.

S. E. Green and C. W. E. Bishop (K. C. C.) beat Lt. Frowen and Capt. Howard 6-5; beat Lt. Webb and Lt. Dale 9-2; beat Lt. Hunt and Capt. Leavy 8-3.

Champions v. Rest of League.

The annual match between the champions of the Tennis League—the Chinese Recreation Club—and the Rest of the League will be played on Saturday, Sept. 24.

AMERICAN BASEBALL.

NATIONAL AND AMERICAN LEAGUE MATCHES.

New York, Sept. 3.

The following are the results of matches played in the National and American Leagues during the past week.

National League.

Saturday.			
Philadelphia	2	Chicago	1
Philadelphia	6	Chicago	10
Monday.			
New York	8	Chicago	7
New York	4	Chicago	1
Brooklyn	2	St. Louis	1
Brooklyn	1	St. Louis	2
Boston	2	Cincinnati	4
Boston	5	Cincinnati	6
Tuesday.			
Brooklyn	5	St. Louis	3
New York	7	Chicago	3
Boston	2	Cincinnati	1
Philadelphia	3	Pittsburgh	2
Philadelphia	6	Pittsburgh	12
Wednesday.			
Brooklyn	16	Chicago	3
Boston	0	Cincinnati	1
Philadelphia	2	Pittsburgh	3
Philadelphia	2	Pittsburgh	7
Thursday.			
Pittsburgh	4	Chicago	3
Friday.			
Boston	3	Brooklyn	2
Cincinnati	5	Chicago	3
Pittsburgh	5	St. Louis	3

American League.

Saturday.			
St. Louis	4	New York	14
Detroit	7	Philadelphia	8
Chicago	6	Washington	1
Cleveland	9	Boston	2
Sunday.			
St. Louis	6	New York	10
Detroit	5	Philadelphia	9
Chicago	4	Washington	0
Cleveland	5	Boston	6
Monday.			
St. Louis	3	New York	8
Cleveland	2	Boston	10
Detroit	0	Philadelphia	5
Wednesday.			
New York	10	Boston	3
Washington	5	Philadelphia	3
St. Louis	1	Detroit	3
St. Louis	3	Detroit	4
Thursday.			
Chicago	5	Cleveland	8
St. Louis	4	Detroit	8
Friday.			
Philadelphia	2	New York	12
Chicago	6	Cleveland	7
St. Louis	3	Detroit	2

—*Reuter's American Service.*

FAR EAST GAMES.

BRITISH TEAM WINS AT FOOTBALL.

Shanghai, Sept. 4.

Yesterday the British Empire beat Japan at football by 8 goals to 1, and to-day the British team scored a further success by defeating China by 4 goals to 3.

Mr. C. T. Wang presented prizes to the winners this evening at the Pioneer Field. The Filipino and Japanese participants are sailing from Shanghai to-morrow.—*Reuter.*

FOOTBALL.

CLUB DE RECREIO IN GOOD FORM.

The League Champions, the Club de Recreio, played their first match this season on King's Park on Saturday against an eleven from the Royhl Air Force.

The Portuguese boys appeared to be in good form and had no difficulty in defeating the airmen. In the first half they scored three goals through Gosano, Rocha and Silva, and after the interval Rocha added a further goal, whilst Fuertes twice found the net, giving the Recreio a clear victory of six goals to nil.

Recs:—M. Silva; W. Ogley, P. M. Xavier; C. Remedios, A. A. Remedios, H. C. Remedios; A. Fuertes, A. Gosano, J. Silva, L. Rocha, A. Brown.

R.A.F.:—Avery; Banks, Ariett; Armitage, Welsh, Morriss; Robins, Birch, Young Foster, Kingett.

A game arranged between the Club de Recreio second division team and the Scots Guards was postponed.

BAND CONCERT.

QUEEN'S BATTALION'S FINE PROGRAMME.

There was again a large attendance at the Kowlon Dock bathing beach yesterday, when a well balanced programme was rendered by the full military band and drums of the 1st Battalion of the Queen's Royal Regiment, by permission of Lieut. Col. R.G. Clarke, C.M.G., D.S.O., and officers. The band, alone, commenced the programme at five o'clock, the massed band and drums playing at 6.15.

The grand selection by German "Merrie England," commenced the programme. One of the most popular items was a selection from "No no Nanette," (Yonmans), which was followed by a trombone solo, "The Joywheel" (Sutton), the soloist being Bandsman C. H. Diss.

The massed band and drums gave an excellent account of themselves, their numbers including a bugle march, drums and band marches, and slow marches, the drums "Retreat," and Regimental marches.

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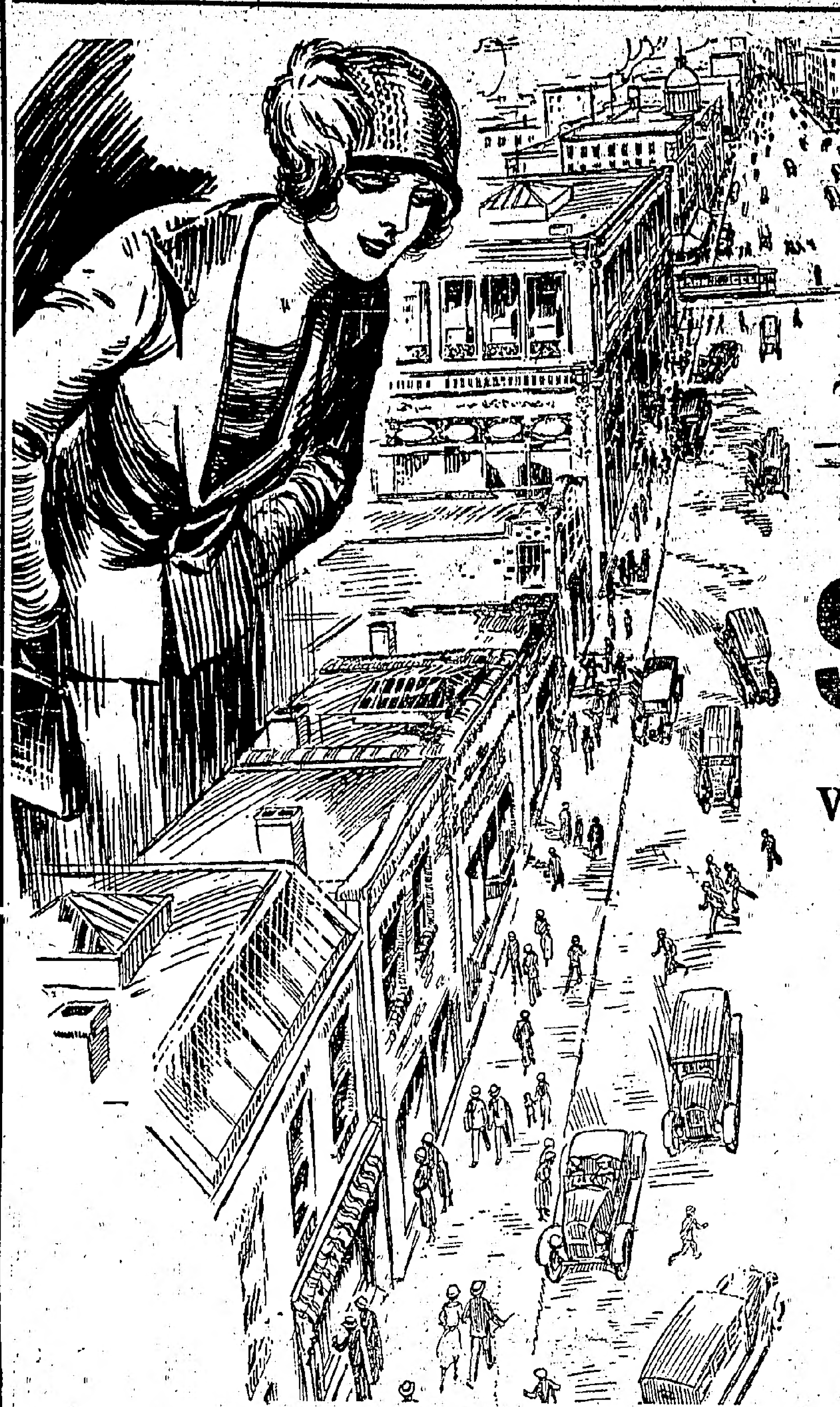

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SHIPMENT OF ORE.

CLAIM AGAINST A HONGKONG MERCHANT.

The action brought by a London firm, Messrs. John Batt & Co., Ltd., against Messrs. Silva-Netto & Co., exporters of Hongkong, was continued before the Puisne Judge (Mr. Philip Jacks) in the Summary Court. The plaintiffs claimed $852 as damages under an alleged breach of contract for the sale of 75 tons of Chinese antimony sulphide ore. Mr. L. R. Andrewes, of Messrs. Johnson, Stokes & Master, appeared for the plaintiffs and Mr. C. G. Alabaster, K.C., (instructed by Messrs. Leo d'Almada & nephew), represented the defendants.

The facts of the case were that the ore was shipped on certificate by a Hongkong analyst that it contained between 50/55 per cent. of antimony. The shipment was resold by Messrs. Batt & Co., to a third party, Messrs. Hallett & Sons, who claimed an allowance on the ground that the ore contained an unduly large percentage of oxide, that it was antimony oxy-sulphide ore, instead of antimony sulphide ore, as ordered. That it contained the correct percentage of antimony was not disputed.

In the course of cables and letters exchanged, Messrs. Silva-Netto & Co., suggested referring the matter to arbitration. This was done but the arbitration took place between Messrs. Batt & Co., and their sub-purchasers, Messrs. Hallett & Sons, the arbitrator awarding the amount which Messrs. Batt & Co., now sought to recover from Messrs. Silva-Netto & Co.

Plaintiffs' solicitor submitted that, having suggested arbitration, Messrs. Silva-Netto were in honour bound to accept the verdict if it went against Messrs. Batt & Co., and reimburse them.

A Case to Answer.

At the last hearing Mr. Alabaster submitted that the defence had no case to answer because the arbitration did not take place on defendants' contract but upon a different contract, between Messrs. Batt & Co., and Messrs. Hallett & Sons. This contract (although not produced in Court) appeared to be entirely different because Messrs. Hallett & Sons bought the ore for a special purpose which was not communicated to the suppliers. They wanted it to "grade up some oxide ore" of which they happened to have a great deal on hand and they alleged that the particular shipment of antimony sulphide ore which formed the subject of this dispute contained too much oxide to be suitable for their purpose. The defence, on the other hand, argued that the ore was only sold on the usual basis of its antimony content, and that it fulfilled requirements in this respect.

At the opening of Friday's hearing the Judge intimated that he had come to the conclusion that the defence had a case to answer.

Mr. Alabaster opened the case for the defence by referring to the case of *Jones v. Paget* (24 Q.B.D. p. 650), as a leading case on the expression "merchantable quality." He said that the effect of the decision was that if the goods supplied were merchantable for ordinary purposes it was quite sufficient, even if they were not suitable for the purpose of a particular buyer, unless that particular purpose was communicated to the supplier. In the present case the special purpose was never mentioned to the supplier. It was undisputed that the ore supplied was of the metallic percentage called for; it was merchantable in the ordinary sense, and that Messrs. Hallett & Sons wanted it for a particular purpose, for which apparently it was not suitable, did not affect the issue. The defendants fortunately had retained samples of the shipment and had also had samples analysed before dispatch, so that expert evidence was available to prove that the ore was antimony sulphide of a certain percentage.

An Objection.

Mr. Alabaster was about to call evidence when Mr. Andrewes intimated that he would object to such evidence being heard. Mr. Alabaster was setting out to prove something which had been already proved and decided. The defendants selected the course of getting a specialist at home, an arbitrator, to decide on the quality of the ore. This decision had been made, and, having suggested it, the defendants were now estopped from contesting the quality of the ore.

Mr. Alabaster: The other side has no right to state that we have broken our contract and that it has been so decided. Our contract has never been before an arbitrator. We are prepared to prove that we did deliver the goods called for in our contract. That is all I am going to prove.

The Judge remarked that it seemed to depend on whether the contracts between Messrs. Batt and Hallett and Messrs. Silva Netto and Messrs. Batt, were in the same terms.

Mr. Alabaster disputed this, referring again to the case of *Pontifex v. Ford*, quoted at the last hearing, to show that arbitration should be held on the contract actually in dispute.

The Judge said he had found another case which seemed to establish a precedent to the contrary.

Mr. Andrewes urged that if "A" and "B" arbitrated by direction of "C," "C" must stand by the result.

Mr. Alabaster: But they did not submit to arbitration the question whether we had made a good delivery under our contract. We are absolutely at their mercy out here: we did not now what they did in London, but we do know that they did not submit our contract to arbitration.

Mr. Andrewes: We were not asked to.

Mr. Alabaster: The plaintiffs have not submitted a copy of their contract with Messrs. Hallett. It is up to them, if they send 10,000 miles to prove their case, to send also proof that there was not a difference between the two contracts. The documents that they submitted go to show that the contract was different, and that the purchase by Messrs. Hallett was for a special purpose.

The Contracts.

It was very necessary to the interests of Hongkong merchants (continued Mr. Alabaster) that they should be allowed to prove that they sold what they contracted to sell. They had no control over what happened in London; in this case the Hongkong contract was not submitted to arbitration and the Hongkong view was not represented. Messrs. Batt represented their own position and made no attempt to meet Messrs. Hallett & Sons' submission that they wanted the ore for a special purpose. Mr. Alabaster went on to quote from the correspondence showing that Messrs. Batt knew of this special purpose.

The Judge: But, supposing they did, they only sold them "Chinese Antimony Sulphide Ore." It is necessary that it should be of merchantable quality.

Mr. Alabaster: And we want to prove that it was merchantable: in that it contained a certain proportion of the metal.

The Judge: Was the whole cargo tested here?

Mr. Alabaster: We had a fair sample taken. There was no suggestion that the whole was examined in London either: they only took samples there also.

After further argument the Judge said he would let the defence go on with their evidence and then he would have to consider the point of the separate contract.

Mr. Andrewes: Will your Lordship note that I object to any evidence being given as to the quality of this ore and my reason for objecting is that the quality has already been decided upon in a manner selected by the defendants themselves?

The Judge noted the objection and evidence for the defence was then called.

Expert Evidence.

Mr. Chu Po-yan, Laboratory Assistant to Mr. A. C. Franklin, Analyst, spoke to having taken samples before shipment of the ore in dispute. The witness described the methods by which the taking of a representative ten per cent. sample was secured. The shipment was antimony sulphide ore, similar to samples produced in Court.

Mr. A. C. Franklin, F.I.C., metallurgist and analyst, said he received from the last witness samples for analysis and he analysed them for metallic content. They came up to the required percentage. The ore was sulphide and not oxide. Oxide ore was absolutely different in appearance, colour, lustre and in every way.

The Judge: How much oxide might be present (without being noticed superficially) in what could be described as "good merchantable sulphide?"

The Witness: I should not like to state any definite figure. It is a question which very seldom, if ever, arises. I have not known of a shipment before in which it was asked that the sulphur content should be tested for. All shipments here are based on the percentage of antimony. The shipper, as well as the analyst, knows he is dealing with a sulphide ore.

In reply to further questions by the Court, Mr. Franklin said that if there was a large percentage of oxide the ore would lose its original colour. Mr. Franklin produced a "museum specimen" which he said was a sulphide ore that, by process of nature, was changing to an oxide. The glittering crystals of the specimen were sulphide of antimony: the brownish, earthy-looking material was oxide. He would describe this as a "partly oxidised sulphide ore." In a few centuries it might be all oxide.

Mr. E. R. Dovey, Government Analyst, said he would describe the ore produced as a sulphide ore. He would say that, by appearance, it was a good merchantable sulphide ore. He had never heard of the ore being sold except on its metallic content. As the process of oxidisation went on, the sulphide disappeared. It was a replacement: the two did not exist together.

Mr. Andrewes did not cross-examine the expert witnesses.

A Profit of £224.

Mr. A. F. B. Silva-Netto said he saw the shipments during packing and took some samples himself. Some of the ore had a specially high metallic content. He had no knowledge of any special purpose for which this antimony ore might be required in London. The ordinary purpose was of extracting the metallic content. The witness gave figures to show that the plaintiffs resold the ore at a profit of £224 on the 75 tons.

Mr. Andrewes said he wished to ask the witness a few questions without affecting his objection to the admission of evidence as to the condition of the ore. He proceeded to cross-examine the witness to show that Messrs. Batt made a genuine effort to acquaint the defendants with all the details, in order to assist them in coming to a decision as to the best method of solving the difficulty which had arisen as a result of the claim by Messrs. Hallett.

The witness disagreed, pointing out that in the telegrams Messrs. Batt asked for an allowance of £4 per ton, whereas the allowance awarded of 1s. per unit worked out at £2.10s. per ton.

Mr. Andrews: You felt so confident you had sent good merchantable sulphide that you were prepared to pay damages if in fact it was not sulphide?—Yes.

Mr. Andrewes: Apparently, from the correspondence, you wanted the plaintiffs to hold on to the ore on a falling market.

The witness replied that he could not come to a decision until the receipt of full particulars by post.

Mr. Andrewes: I think the correspondence shows that you intended the contract between Messrs. Batt and Messrs. Hallett to be arbitrated upon.

The witness: That was my intention. The witness added that he was also an importer and could look at the question from that point of view. When a dispute arose here between importer and Chinese dealer he looked to the supplier abroad for reimbursement after arbitration between the two parties in Hongkong, if the verdict went against the Hongkong importer.

At this stage the hearing was adjourned until to-day.

OPEN AIR CONCERT

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Four hundred people gather[ed] amid delightful surroundings [at] the Kowloon Cricket Club [on] Saturday night and thorough[ly] enjoyed an open air concert [ar]ranged by the Entertainment Co[m]mittee of the Club for the purpo[se] of providing comforts for t[he] troops. Although the weather [at] one time was threatening, fortu[n]ately the rain kept away and wi[th] a cool breeze blowing, plenty [of] seating accommodations and t[he] grounds decorated with twinkli[ng] red and green lights, the Club colours, the audience was able [to] enjoy in comfort an exceptional[ly] fine programme of music by t[he] full Band of the 1st Battali[on] Cameronian Regiment and so[me] entertaining items by a par[ty] from H.M.S. Vindictive.

Mr. Horace E. Dowell, L.R.A.M. conducted the Band. Rosini[’s] ever popular William Tell opene[d] the programme, the storm bein[g] realistically reproduced on t[he] instruments. The Miserere scen[e] from Il Trovatore gave Corpl. [?] Bain and Bds. G. Phillips an op[portunity] for a delightful cla[r]inet and cornet duet which me[t] with sustained and enthusiasti[c] applause. Another fine oper[a] selection, Mascagni's Cavalleri[a] Rusticana, followed, before t[he] Band showed that it is equally a[t] Home with the lighter numbers.

A Hunting Scene was faithfully portrayed, and the popular Maid o[f] the Mountains brought furthe[r] appreciation. Some charming Hungarian dances by Brahm[s] greatly appealed to the audience and a pot pourri of melodiou[s] melodies was very effectively rendered, before the Band brought a three hours enjoyable enter[tainment] to a fitting close with the grand fantasia "Battle o[f] Waterloo."

The concert party made a great hit. Composed mostly of humorous numbers their songs and patter went down well, Wilmott's numbers being particularly well received. Encores were frequent and were willingly acceded to.

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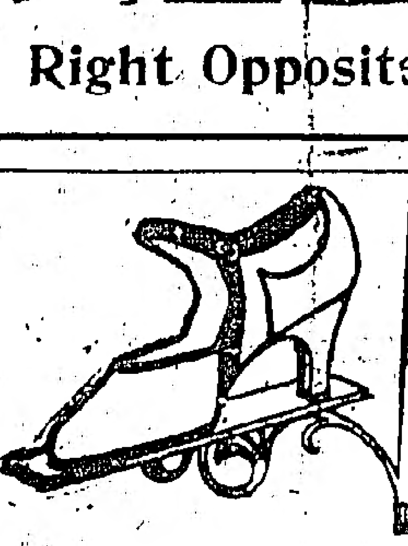

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CHAPEI ROBBER DEN RAIDED.

BIG FIND OF ARMS AND LOOT.

SETTLEMENT POLICE AID.

With the permission of the police authorities of Chapei, the Shanghai municipal police, headed by P. C. S. Henton raided a house in Chapei, at 208 Kung Yee Lee, in search of part of a gang of armed robbers who held up and robbed a Chinese shop at 357 Cunningham Road on Monday night last. The robbers obtained nearly $300.

At the Chapei dwelling the robbers escaped before the arrival of the police but two women, wives of the suspected men, were arrested and held for aiding and abetting the robbers. A search of the house revealed several loaded pistols, a large sum of money which is believed to be the proceeds of armed robberies, and a quantity of ammunition for pistols.

At the time of the robbery in the Settlement a Chinese constable was on duty 80 feet away heard and saw nothing unusual, he claimed. After the robbers, four in number, had left the premises the alarm was raised and, Settlement police responded. A number of Chinese detectives and constables scoured the neighbourhood and sighted two suspects. The two men ran but were caught near the North Thibet Road Bridge.

They admitted having participated in the robbery and gave the names and address of their accomplices. This informations led to the raid on the house in Chapei.

Two other robberies were reported in the Settlement on Monday afternoon and night, one being an armed highway robbery in which a woman was relieved of a gold bangle valued at $49.

The armed robber who was wounded in a gun battle with police of the Harbin Road Station on Monday night, the next day died of his wounds.

RAJAH OF SARAWAK KNIGHTED.

THIRD SUCCESSIVE WHITE RULER.

Sarawak, Aug. 25.—King George has conferred the honours of knighthood upon Vyner Brooke, the only white rajah.

Sir Vyner is the Rajah of Sarawak and rules over a country of 40,000 square miles peopled by semi-civilized Malays.

He is the third white rajah to rule Sarawak. In 1839 Rajah Muda Hassim, a native ruler, assisted by Malay officials, controlled the territory in such a tyrannical manner that the populace were in a state of open revolt. Sir James Brooke, a British naval officer, suppressed this rebellion and Muda Hassim abdicated in his favour.

On his death in 1868 the title passed to his nephew, Sir Charles Johnson Brooke. Sir Charles was the father of Sir Vyner.

THE QUEEN'S.

AN AMUSING COMEDY.

"Money Talks" which is being shown again to-day at the Queen's Theatre is one of the most amusing and entertaining films seen in Hongkong for some time, and all those in search of pleasant diversion should make a point of seeing it. Owen Moore as the "hero" and Miss Claire Windsor as the heroine act extremely well together and they are the principals in a farce that takes one out of one's self into many a good hearty laugh.

The Broadway Follies are still deservedly popular, perhaps the best item in their programme being the Ballet. The illusion of skating was really cleverly done.

A most interesting "Gazette" adds to what is a programme worthy of the best Queen's standard.

Found guilty on four charges of fraud and fraudulent representation, Hector Charles Sumner, British, was sentenced to 28 days' imprisonment by Magistrate I. T. Morris in H. M. Police Court at Shanghai past week, comprising four sentences of seven days each. Sentence is to be served in the Amoy Road gaol. The charge against Sumner included one of representing himself to be a member of the Shanghai Municipal Police: of obtaining $14.50 worth of credit from Mr. C. Steward: of signing chits in the Shanghai Club amounting to $60.33: of defrauding Captain F. Davis of the Woosung Forts Hotel to the extent $112.70 Evidence was also brought to show that he had been able to sign chits in the Shanghai Club by falsely representing himself a member of the Tientsin Club.

ACTION FOR ALLEGED SLANDER.

TLS. 20,000 CLAIM AT SHANGHAI.

Instructions to file their answer within 15 days were, last Monday, given the China Finance Corporation by Judge Milton Purdy at the United States Court for China, at Shanghai, in a suit filed by Mr. E. Carroll, proprietor of P. Heath and Company claiming Tls. 20,000 damages on alleged slanderous statements published in connexion with the sale of a motor car by defendants. Judge Purdy's decision was reached after defendants had filed a demurrer through Attorney F. J. Schuhl alleging insufficient cause of action, and further demanding that plaintiffs "set forth special damages to 'name and reputation' instead of general damages."

Carroll, who is British was represented by Mr. Sidney A. Moss. The prosecution allege that on May 12 Mr. Carroll purchased a 5 h.p. Pugeot car for Tls. 1,150. On June 2 defendant is alleged to have removed the car from the street in front of 30 Peking Road and his since kept it concealed on the ground that plaintiff had not fulfilled the terms of the contract and this, in my opinion, is highly defamatory to my client."

No evidence was heard, the proceedings consisting merely of settling the question of pleadings.

In the petition filed by plaintiff Mr. Moss specified three different causes of action, the first claiming Tls. 1,150, being the market price of the car, the second claiming Tls. 180, being incidental damages that accrued as a result of defendant's wrongful appropriation of the car, and the third for Tls. 20,000 being damages to his reputation and standing consequent upon the publication of the alleged defamatory statements.

Defendant's pleading was a demurrer, setting forth in the first count motion to make more definite and certain, and in the second, a general denial.

Counsel for the defence summitted that plaintiff had not stated facts sufficient to constitute a cause of action.

Plaintiff must state "time, place and date where the alleged defamatory statements were made and by whom uttered."

Judge Purdy overruled the demurrer, reminding counsel further that "specific and definite damages remain to be proved by the Court."

BAD LUCK.

Captain Courtney, attempting a trans-Atlantic flight, is reported to have come down in Spain, owing to bad weather.

BASEBALL.

THE WEEK-END GAMES.

The Filipino Baseball Club defeated the Tigers (S. C. A. A.) by a margin of 21 runs to 4 at Happy Valley yesterday. In the first and third innings the Filipinos secured no less that sixteen runs against which the Chinese replied with a feeble three.

The long lead which the Filipinos secured enabled them to try out a number of reserves some of who showed up very well.

There were two home runs secured, one in the first innings by Dalgado, through fielders' errors and one in the third by Zafra, who struck a ball well out of right field's reach.

By their recent success, the Filipino Baseball Club are now in a favourable position to become runners-up of the League, having lost only two matches throughout the season.

The Australian mail is due to arrive here by the s.s. St. Albans to-morrow morning.

OUR DAILY TALK ON HEALTH.

HOARSENESS IS A DANGER SIGNAL.

PROMPT ATTENTION BEST.

The average person whose voice suddenly becomes hoarse is likely to attribute the condition to overuse, or to say that it is just a slight cold and will disappear.

Hoarseness is such a common affliction that it seldom receives the attention that it should. On the other hand, loss of the voice or hoarseness may sometimes be the first and only danger signal of some serious disease in which prompt treatment may save the patient untold suffering or even early death.

Dr. George D. Wolf has recently considered some important aspects of this subject. In children the sudden appearance of hoarseness may be due to the fact that some foreign material, usually a coin or some other metal substance, has been swallowed or inhaled into the larynx. If it is found that a child has suddenly begun to choke and turn blue and that these symptoms have cleared up at once and been followed by hoarseness, the swallowing or inhaling of a foreign body should be suspected. Fortunately, the presence of such a substance can be promptly determined by the use of the X-ray.

In certain diseases affecting the throat, such as diphtheria or croup, hoarseness is a prominent symptom. In grown-up persons, the sudden onset of hoarseness is usually due to some inflammation of the larynx. If there is shortness of breath accompanying this, the physician is likely to think of an abscess as the primary cause.

Not infrequently, the onset of hoarseness, which gradually increases, is due to tuberculosis of the throat or secondary to tuberculosis in the lungs. In such cases, it is absolutely necessary to have at once an inspection of the throat by a competent physician.

Persons who smoke a great deal, who use the voice excessively, or who work in occupations that are dusty or smoky, suffer frequently with hoarseness. Obviously the first step in the treatment of the condition is rest of the voice, the second step being direct application of some remedial agent. The inhaling of medicated vapours is sometimes extremely helpful in mild in flammations of the vocal cords.

"FORGING AHEAD."

CULMINATION OF AMBITIONS OF CHIEF CASHIER.

Paris: A man named Rene le Franc, chief cashier of a firm of Paris traders, has confessed to practising a simple way to "get rich quick."

If his employer signed a cheque for 20,000 or 30,000 francs, he would occasionally forge another cheque for double the amount, and keep half the money.

During a year and a half he thus stole about 3,000,000 francs.

But while Le Franc was on holiday recently his employer received an anonymous letter advising him to inspect the cashier's books. On his return the cashier was arrested.

While earning 50,000 francs a year, Le Franc had bought some land near Versailles and had a little villa built on it.

His ambition developed, and he began to forge cheques. He next bought land at Vermouillet, had a small chateau built, spent over 100,000 francs in laying out a garden, bought motorcars, and moved from his 650-franc-a-year flat at Montmartre to an apartment at 70,000 francs.

THE 2LO CAT.

TELEPHONE COMEDY AT SAVOY HILL.

The B.B.C. possesses at its headquarters in Savoy-hill a cat with one eye but remarkable mental development, says a London paper.

Here is an unvarnished account of an incident in which this cat figured recently.

An engineer was preparing a graph when the telephone bell rang.

The cat immediately jumped upon a table where there was a spare telephone and put its ear to the mouthpiece (the receiver was, of course, on its hook) in a listening attitude.

Meanwhile, the engineer had removed the receiver from his own telephone and, in response to the caller, said: "Hold the line a moment and I'll look it up."

Before he could put the receiver down the cat sprang off the table, ran across to a bookshelf, rested its front paws on one of the shelves and with its sound eye, scanned the row of books one after the other as if reading the titles.

The only explanation offered by the engineer is that the cat had probably seen him go through a similar performance on many occasions.

WIRELESS ON MOVING MOTOR-CARS.

TO COMMUNICATE WHILE 500 MILES APART.

Captain L. F. Plugge, whose experiments during the last three years with wireless reception on moving motor-cars have been described in the Press, intends conducting his investigation on a much larger scale, says a London journal.

During the next five or six weeks his two cars, Aether II. and Aether III., will be used in an experimental testing of the two-way communication between vehicles while in motion and crossing the centre and South of Europe.

Aether II. leaves London five days later than Aether III., and an attempt will be made to keep up communication between the two cars.

Aether II. will be driven by Captain Plugge's assistant, Mr. Horace Connell, who will operate a Marconi super-eight one-control receiving set of his own design, with which the car is equipped.

The newer, car Aether III., is equipped with a nine-valve supersonic heterodyne and a one-valve transmitting set on 45 metres.

By means of this transmitting set it is hoped to be able to transmit on telephony over a distance of approximately 500 miles.

Signals will be picked up by the other car and replied to on a similar set.

The cars hope to meet in the South of Spain, where Aether III. will wait for Aether II.

Notes will then be exchanged as to the possibilities and results of two-way communication.

SHARE PRICES.

TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS.

The following is the list of local share quotations issued to-day:

Banks.

Hongkong Bank, $1075 b.
Chartered Bank, £20 n.
Mercantile A. & B., £32 n
Mercantile C., £13¾ n.
P. and O., £9⅝ b.
East Asia, $68 n.

Marine Ins.

Canton Ins, $590 s.
China Underwriters, $1.50 n
North China, Tls. 143 n.
Union Ins., $295 b.
Yangtsze Ins., $37 b.

Fire Ins.

China Fires, $210 b.
H. K. Fire Ins., $600 s.

Shipping.

Douglases, $33 b.
H. K. Steamboats, $21½ s.
H. K. Tugs, $ 60 s.
Indo-Chinas, (Pref.) $30 n.
Shell Trans., 92/- n.
Star Ferries, $54.60 b.
Waterboats, $17 n.

Refineries.

China Sugars, $15 s
Malabons, $32 s.

Mining.

Benguets, $1.70 n.
Kailans, 49/- b.
Langkats, Tls. $17½ b.
S'hai Exploration, Tls. 3¼ b
Shanghai Loans, Tls. 6 n.
Raubs, $4 b.
Tronohs, 19/3 n.
Ural Caspians, 5/- n.

Docks, etc.

Kowloon Wharves, $112 b.
Whampoa Docks, $35 n.
Hongkews, Tls. 140 b
New Engineerings, Tls. 4½ b
Shanghai Docks Tls. 92 b.

Lands, Hotels, etc.

H. and S. Hotels, 6½ n.
H. K. Lands, $55¼ sa.
Realtys, $6 s.
Territorials, $1½ s.
Humphreys, $12½ b.
Princes Bldgs, $89 n.
Rural Lands, $1½ n.

Cottons.

Ewo Cottons, Tls. $7 35 b
Orientals, Tls $1.50 b
S'hai Cottons, Tls $50 n

Buses, Trams.

China Buses, Tls. 7 a
Tramways, $20.15 s
Peak Trams, (old) $14 s.
Singapore Trams, 11/- s.
Taxis, $1 n.

Miscellaneous.

Amusements, $20 n.
Canton Ices, $5 n.
Cements (Comb.) $7 s.
China Lights, $12¾ s.
China Prov., $4.15 s.
Constructions, $1¾ s.
Dairy Farms, $15.20 b
Der A. Wing, $6 n.
H'kong Electrics, $53¾ b
Macao Electrics, $37 b.
Ropes (Old) $10 n.
Lane Crawfords, $5 s.
Mackintosh, $22 b.
Sinceres, 8¼ n.
United Abestos, $12 s
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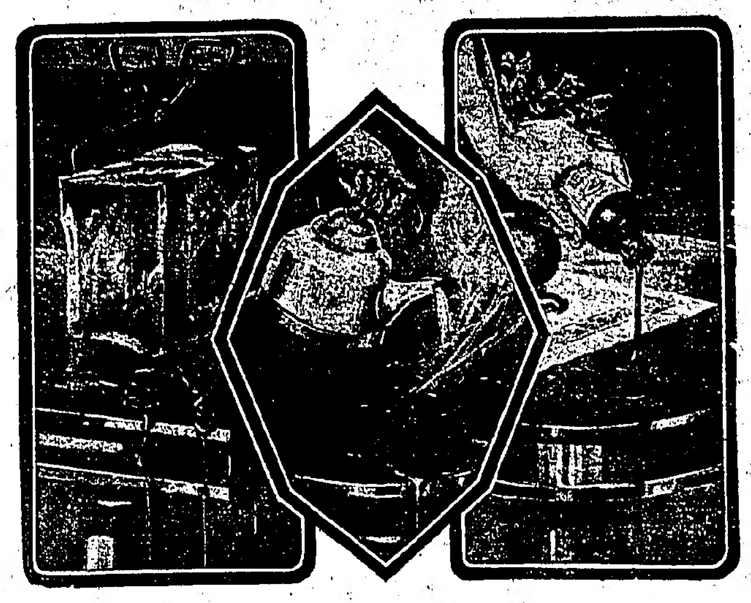

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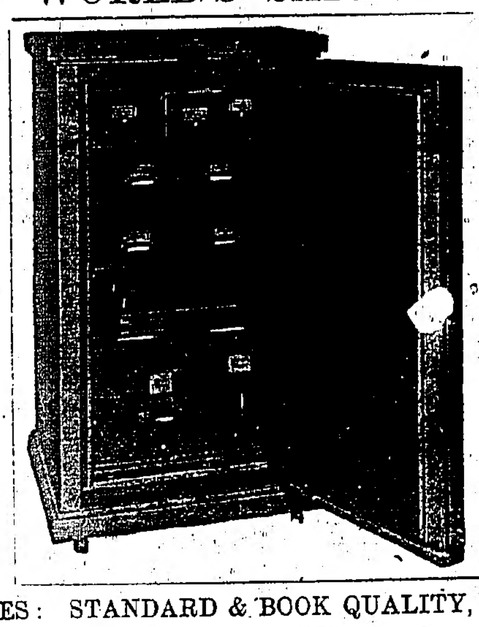

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		h. m.	feet	h. m.	feet
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		8 4 a	4 5	10 58 a	4 2
Thurs.	8	m 5 58	7 0	1 52 a	1 5
		9 21 a	4 5		
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		9 46 a	4 8	2 23 a	1 2
Satur.	10	m 7 49	7 8	m 1 20	3 5
		9 15 a	5 2	3 2 a	0 9
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AGRICULTURAL SHOW.

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A novel offer was considered at the September meeting of the New Territories Agricultural Show Committee, held at Sheung Shui, on Saturday. The Rev. H. R. Wells, O.B.E., presided. Besides the European and Chinese members there were also present S. de Ossa, Chilean Charge d'affaires in China, who will act as Consul for Chile in Hongkong on the departure of Senor Juan Guzman Cruchaga, and Senor D. A. Penafiel, Chilean Consulate Secretary and nitrate expert. Both these gentlemen were cordially welcomed by the chairman on behalf of the committee.

Lady Ho Tung, at whose farm the meeting was held, regretted her inability to attend the meeting. The two Consular officials are interested in the proceedings of the Committee to the extent of the assistance they are prepared to give in the distribution of natural and chemical fertilizers to the farmers of the New Territories.

Rice Cultivation.

Principal among the various questions brought up for discussion at the meeting was an offer received from Mr. J. M. da Rocha, proprietor of the firm of Messrs. J. M. da Rocha and Co., importers and exporters. The offer was fully set out in a letter to the hon. English Secretary in which Mr. da Rocha in part said:

"The members of your Committee are probably aware that my firm is largely interested in the export trade of rice from Hongkong. From what I can gather, rice cultivation in the New Territories has not yet assumed such proportions as would allow of any appreciable quantity for export after providing for the needs of the peasants in the hinterland of Hongkong. Still, one cannot tell what the encouragement given by the forthcoming Agricultural Show may bring about in the future and I am hoping that some day Hongkong-grown rice will figure appreciably in the export statistics of Hongkong."

With Mr. Rocha many will wish that his hope might be realised if not in the near, yet in the remote, future. Mr. Rocha submitted to the Committee the offer of the 13 first prizes for the Rice Section of the exhibits. His second offer is to present a sufficient number of illuminated award certificates that might be printed or lithographed and presented to the successful exhibitors. The design of the certificates will, of course, be left to the Committee, but Mr. Rocha will defray the cost.

The only condition imposed by the donor is that mention be made that the first prizes for the Rice Section are presented by the firm of Messrs. J. M. da Rocha and Co. Needless to say, after discussion, the Committee unanimously agreed to accept the generous offer.

Financial Position.

According to the Finance Sub-Committee's statement the cash balance available on the 31st ult. was $409. Since the date of the last meeting but one the following subscriptions have been received:

Lady Ho Tung $10, Mr. Wong Kam-fuk $10, Mr. Tong Tsung-po $5, Mr. Wong Wing-tong $5.

The disbursements to date amounted to $81, of which $75 is for Mr. Fung Fook's salary for the months of June, July and August at $25 a month.

The Chinese Finance Sub-Committee reported sales of admission tickets to the total amount of $122, of which $97 had been collected, leaving $25 to be paid. The individual receipts were: Mr. Pang Lok Sam $40, Mr. Tang Fan Shan $37, Mr. Tang Pak Kau $25, Mr. Wong Mun Shan $14, Mr. Tang Yau Shan $6.

Natural Fertizers.

Mr. Tsoi Po Tin reported the receipt of three tenders for the creation of the light exhibition building according to plans prepared by Mr. L. Gibbs, the highest tender was for $870 and the lowest $650.

Saturday's meeting was also notable for the fact that Senor S. de Ossa offered a prize for the competitive section on behalf of the Chilean Government, the conditions of the award to be left to the discretion of the Committee.

As already stated Senores Ossa and Penafiel attended the meeting to offer their co-operation in connexion with exhibits for the non-competitive section of the Show. The meeting was pleased to learn from Consul Ossa that he had already telegraphed to his Government to make an early shipment of two tons of natural fertilizers for presentation in small lots to exhibiting farmers of the New Territories.

In the opinion of Senor Penafiel, the notable expert, if Hongkong agriculturists could be persuaded to use the right kind of fertilizers they would see that their products of the soil would be made to increase considerably with the same expense of labour for the production under the present primitive methods adopted in the New Territories.

Besides fertilizers the Consular officials plan to send in commercial exhibits and products from Chile. Subject to arrangments to be concluded, Senor Ossa will be prepared to engage a Chinese lecturer to explain the value and merits of his exhibits during the progress of the Show.

A Demonstration.

More important than the actual distribution of the fertilizers was a practical demonstration of the increased productivity of the soil when proper treated with Chilean nitrate, so explained Senor Penafiel to the large number of Chinese district representatives, present at the meeting. To this end Senor Penafiel with apply to Lady Ho Tung for a small patch of ground in which to conduct an experiment the result of which, he hoped, would be available for demonstration when the Show is held early in December.

Through the Chairman, Senor Penafiel offered to teach any Chinese farmer in the New Territories willing to learn the use of nitrates for improving the soil. His natural fertilizers in the cultivation of vegetables are especially beneficial.

The Chinese members appeared to take a great interest in the proposed experiments.

Accompanied by Mr. H. B. L. Dowbiggin a site was selected, for the use of which the hon. secretary (Mr. J.P. Braga) was directed by the meeting to make application to Lady Ho Tung.

Invitations.

The meeting decided to invite the following gentlemen to assist the Show: Mr. J.L. McPherson, Mr. Ho Kom Tong, Mr. Choa Po Sien and a Chinese gentleman (to be nominated by Mr. J. M. da Rocha) for judging the rice section.

The following new members of the Committee, co-opted at the last meeting, were also present at the meeting on Saturday: Mr. Hau Ting Hang for the district of Ho Sheung Heung, Mr. Li Tai Sang (Saikung), Mr. Man Ming Shi (San Tin), Mr. Man Po Tso (San Tin), Mr. Tang Chan Cheong (Kam Tin) and Mr. Tang Hang Tong (Ha Tsun). Mr. Tang Fan Kam, of Loong Kut Tau district, wrote regretting his inability to attend.

Mr. Fung Kei-cheuk presented the district representatives with several packets of seeds of tomato, cabbage, lettuce, kohl rabi, etc. for distribution among the farmers. Printed instructions in Chinese for planting the seeds were compiled by Mr. Fung and accompanied his free gift to the farmers

The Committee will meet again at Sheung Shui on Saturday, 22nd October, at 2.30 p.m.

MUSICAL TREAT.

WEEK-END CONCERTS AT SHAMEEN.

The different communities on Shameen were afforded a welcome treat over the week-end when the pipe band of the 2nd. Battalion of the K.O.S.B. paid a visit and rendered some excellent programmes.

The services of the band were secured by the enterprising entertainments committee of the Canton Club. Messrs. Benson, Evans, Gace, Lawrence, Lillicrap and Rodger composed the reception committee.

The band gave programmes on Saturday and Sunday, and a third has been arranged to be given to-night.

To Chinese, who make Shameen a parade ground almost at any hour of the day and evening, this innovation was a great attraction, for even at present, without a band, large numbers take a keen interest in the usual Church parade of the company of troops stationed there.

On Saturday, concerts were given along the Front Bund and the football field, at three o'clock in the afternoon and six o'clock in the evening.

At the Church parade yesterday, the band headed the troops, who marched to the Church around the Front Bund and at noon selections were played outside the Canton Club. In the evening a further concert was given on the Front Bund, and the programme cluded an exhibition of Highland dancing.

Grand Tattoo.

A grand tattoo and display has been arranged to take place to-night, the selected programme being:

1. Pipers and Drummers play "Retreat."
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3. Pipers' dance.
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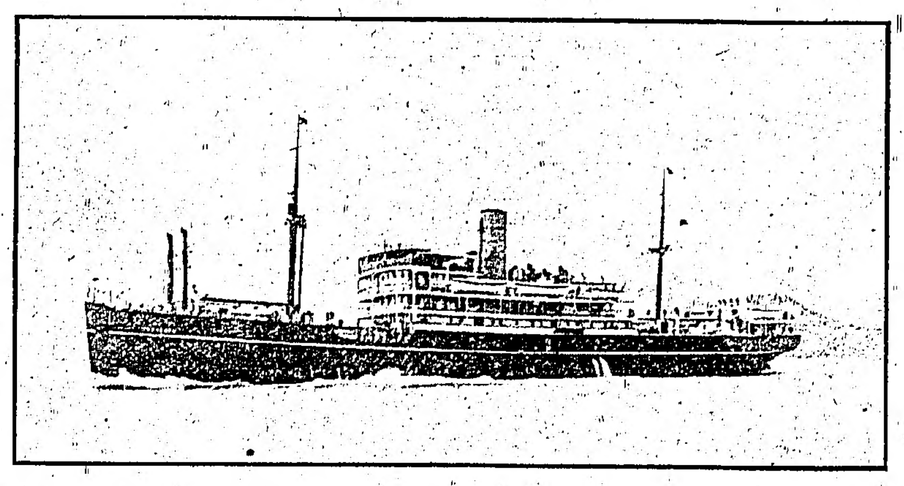

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Moscow, Sept. 4.

The Odessa District Court has decided to grant the Navy Department's claim for the return of the steamer Inkerman to the Soviet Merchant Fleet.

The judgment of the court emphasised that the Egyptian company which purchased the ship must have been, perfectly aware it was committing a dishonest act in purchasing the ship which was stolen from the Soviet Union. The costs of the case which amount to twelve thousand roubles should be paid by the Egyptian company.—*Reuter.*

[A former message dated the 21st ult., stated: The Odessa District Court will shortly examine the claim of the Marine Administration for the mercantile fleet vessel Inkerman. According to the official Tass Agency the Inkerman belonged to the Russian Black Sea mercantile fleet and was taken by the white Guards when evacuating Odessa in 1920. She was subsequently sold to an Egyptian firm and renamed Costi.]

PASSENGERS.

DEPARTED.

Per P. and O. s.s. Moreu.—Mr. and Mrs. Aviet and child, Mrs. M. Beras, Lt. J. R. S. Brown, Mrs. Brown, Mr. and Mrs. A. Bovigny and infant, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Bailey, Mr. and Mrs. Burke, Mr. F. Coombs, Lt. Comdr. P. H. Calderon, Col. G. Carpenter, O.B.E., D.S.C., Mr. T. T. Chung, Mrs. C. W. Drake, Mr. J. L. Driver, Gdsman Ellins, Capt. C. R. d' C. B. Guinness, Flying Officer S. J. Gilbert, Capt. M. Glover, Mrs. Hudson, Sergt. H. Bridges, R.A.M.C., Mr. L. Byrde, Mr. and Mrs. N. M. Currie, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Ferguson, Squadron Leader C. E. W. Foster, R.A.F., Mr. and Mrs. A. Fothergill, Mr. M. Griffiths, Mr. A. E. Hills, Mrs. Hing, Mr. Hu Chen-fan, Mr. Lee Iu-san, Mr. and Mrs. Lo Cheung-ching and four children, Miss Lu Wan-tak, Master Lu Kun, Mr. R. C. Matthews, Mr. M. R. C. Munroe, R.A.F., Mr. G. Naylor, Mr. A. M. Pilling, R.N., Mr. J. F. M. Robertson, R.N., Mr. H. Routledge, Mr. and Mrs. E. Rowe, Mr. Sam Sui-kin, Mr. A. L. Shark, Capt. R. A. Slater, Mr. W. H. Stowell, Mr. A. G. Tackray, R.A.F., Mr. Tang Chi, Mr. Tong Hong-hung, Mr. Y. C. Tsun, Miss G. C. Williams, Mr. P. P. J. Wodehouse, C.I.E., Mrs. P. P. J. Wodehouse, Mrs. Wong Hung-wa, Mr. W. E. Hancock, Mrs. H. Jackson, Pay Comdr. G. C. Kiddle, Mr. J. B. Kemp, A/Q M. S. K. Long, Mrs. Luard, Mr. A. Milligan, Mr. C. A. Maxwell, Pte. Moulder, Mr. O. B. O. B.Payne, Lt. Pym, R. Q. M. S. O. B. Payne, Lt. Pym, R. Q. M. S. and infant, Mr. E. A. Thompson, Mr. T. R. Vallis, Major F. S. Woodhouse, Mr. Wu, Marine R. Whatnore.

NIGHT FETE.

DELIGHTFUL EXHIBITION OF FANCY DIVING.

The fourth night fete arranged by the Victoria Recreation Club drew a small attendance on Saturday night, there being a little over a hundred present. Those who went, however, were treated to some keen swimming besides a delightful exhibition of fancy diving.

The Hon. Mr. W. T. Southorn and Mrs. Southorn were interested spectators.

There were three heats for the 50 yards handicap for members, the performance of S. V. Gittins in the first heat, in which he covered the distance in 26 3/5 seconds, being particularly good.

The principal event of the night was the 100 yards free style championship of the Colony. This event was won by D. Lyon in 61 2/5 seconds, and his brother, J. S. Lyon, managed to secure second place, covering the distance in 63 seconds. In one of the heats, D. Laing managed to return a time of 63 2/5 seconds, but in the final Laing unfortunately did not keep straight and lost a good deal of time.

In the 100 Yards Ladies' Championship, Miss Muriel Blunsden had a comparatively easy victory over Miss D. Hunt. The other competitors were Miss P. Hunt and Miss L. Gittins. The time which Miss Blunsden took to cover the distance was 83 4/5 seconds.

For the Inter-Hong Team Race, despite the fact that there were entries from five different quarters, only the Hongkong Government team turned up. Mr. C. J. Cook announced that the Government team automatically won the event but he said that in order to give them a race, the V. R. C. would put up a team. Mr. Cook further stated that it was to be regretted that the presence of the Hongkong Government team seemed to have created an epidemic of "cold feet" among the other entrants. The hastily arranged team race proved to be farcical, however, for the V. R. C. ran away with the race from their very first man and won comfortably.

Fancy Diving.

The most spectacular event on the programme was the fancy diving. E. D. da Roza, who won, made three beautiful dives, his exhibitions being the Jack Knife, the Back Dive and the "Flying Dutchman." Mr. A. Duncan was awarded second place. His three dives were the Jack Knife, the Wooden Soldier and the Back Jack Knife. One particularly good effort was by Roza Pereira, who announced that his dive was called "Lindy" (Lindbergh). He sailed through the air and his descent resembled an aeroplane gliding before landing.

A water polo match concluded the programme, the two teams engaged being the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps and the V. R. C. The former won by three clear goals, the scorers being Lyon and Simpson (2).

At the conclusion of the sports, Mrs. W. T. Southorn gave away the prizes. In calling upon her to do so, Mr. C. J. Cook, the Secretary, said he felt grateful for the interest which Mrs. Southorn took in the Club. He was sorry the attendance was so poor but he said that all those who were present must agree that what they lacked in attendance they made up by the good racing which they had just witnessed.

At the call of Mr. Cook three cheers were given to Mrs. Southorn, who thanked the Club for honouring her by asking her to distribute the prizes and said she had enjoyed herself thoroughly. She regretted that she herself could never win a prize, being able to swim only with the assistance of water wings.

The Results.

The results of the event were:

50 yards handicap (members)—1, B. M. Talati; 2, R. L. Strange.

100 yards Free Style championship (open)—1, D. Lyon, 61 2/5 secs.; 2, J. S. Lyon, 63 secs.

100 yards Ladies' championship (open)—1, Miss M. Blunsden, 83 4/5 secs.; 2, Miss D. Hunt, 100 secs.

Pillow Fight—1, A. Duncan.

Fancy Diving (open)—1, E. D. da Roza, 2, A. Duncan.

Water Polo—H.K.D.C. 3, V.R.C., 0.

Judges:—Messrs. A. A. Alves, A. F. B. Silva-Netto, D. Lyon, R. L. Moncrieff, W. Logan, B. J. de H. Moore.

Starters:—Messrs. A. A. Alves, G. R. Razavet, C. J. Cooke.

Timekeepers:—Messrs. W. Anderson, A. A. Alves, F. W. T. Ross, J. A. Lyon, C. J. Cooke, T. Meek.

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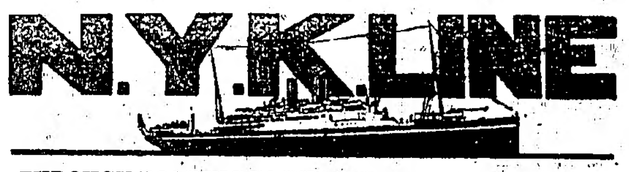

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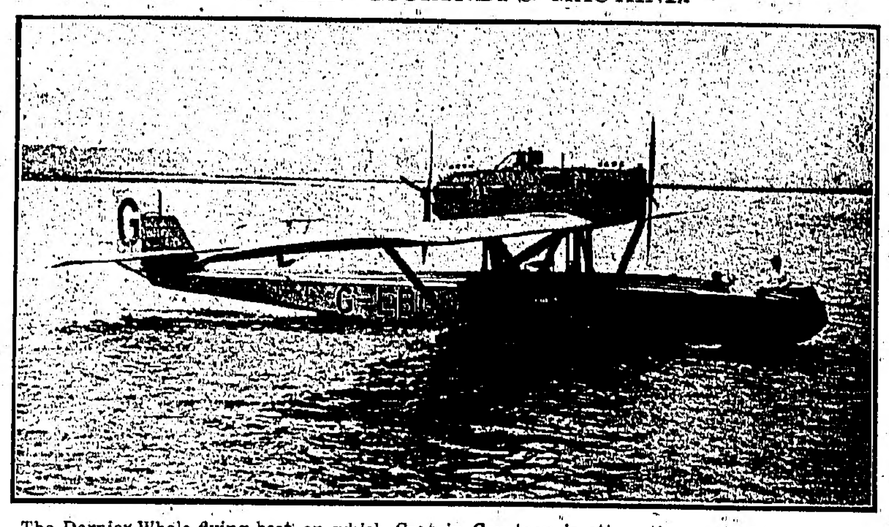
CAPTAIN COURTNEY'S MACHINE.



The Dornier-Whale flying boat on which Captain Courtney is attempting a flight across the Atlantic, via the Azores.

ADMIRALTY COAL STOLEN.

AN UNSUCCESSFUL PLEA.

There appears to be quite an epidemic of thefts of Welsh coal belonging to the Admiralty, Mr. W. Schofield, at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, hearing the third case in which the owner of a junk was charged in respect of stolen coal.

The mistress of the cargo junk, was charged with being in unlawful possession of two and one-tenth tons of coal.

Mr. Leo d'Almada appeared for the defence, and described the present case as a very sad one. He said that he thought his Worship, after hearing the facts of the case, would in his wisdom, temper justice with mercy.

The defendant was a married woman, but her husband was a lunatic and simply roamed about the Colony. He was seldom on the junk. Two or three months ago, the defendant had to borrow a sum of money with which she purchased her cargo junk.

About August 30, she had been engaged by a Naval contractor to convey 50 tons of Naval coal to a Blue Funnel liner. The duties of loading and unloading were entirely in the hands of the contractor's men. Defendant's duties were merely to take the coal from the Yaumati sheds to the steamer.

The consignment was loaded on the junk at 7 p.m. and, owing to rough weather, the work of unloading could not be commenced until three hours later. At 10 p.m. the coolies started to transfer the coal to the vessel and completed their duties at 2 a.m. the following morning.

In the meantime, the defendant and her crew had retired for the night and at two o'clock, when the coolies had finished, she took her boat back to the anchorage where she remained until the 2nd. inst. when she was arrested by the Police, who discovered the coal under the bottom boards.

It was possible that the coolies had put the coal under the boards so that they would finish earlier.

Mr. d'Almada pointed out that had the defendant stolen the coal she would not have left it on board her junk for such a long period. The fokis whom the defendant employed had since absconded and it was possible that they were involved in putting the coal under the boards.

His Worship, in fining the defendant $25, said that he thought it was her duty to see that her junk was emptied and that no coal was left at the bottom.

ORE CASE ENDS.

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oxide running through the sulphide, it being impossible to separate them altogether. With good sulphide ore there was bound to be a certain amount of oxide with it.

Defendant agreed with Mr. Andrewes that he did not agree to settle for £200, as suggested by the plaintiffs, neither did he ask the bank for the return of the acceptance. He admitted that he was willing to take responsibility for damages, if it could be proved that the ore was not good merchantable sulphide.

The plaintiffs did agree to compromise, first by offering him an allowance of £4 per ton, which he did not accept.

Mr. Andrewes further cross-examined at some length on the correspondence and telegrams which had passed between the parties.

In addressing the court, Mr. Alabaster said he had pointed out time and again that a thing was merchantable for ordinary purposes even if it was not good for a special purpose, unless that special purpose was communicated to the vendor. The arbitrator did not, in his award, state anywhere that the ore was not merchantable. The fact that the arbitrator ordered them to take it at an allowance of 1/-- per unit was proof itself that he passed it as good merchantable sulphide.

Judgment was given for the defendant firm.

CORRESPONDENCE.

PRESERVATION OF TREES.

(To the Editor, *Hongkong Telegraph.*)

Sir,—In your issue of September 2nd, my attention was drawn to the fact that the Government is preparing to pass an ordinance giving them powers to proclaim certain areas "Prohibited Areas." It is alleged that this is being done to protect the trees, etc., in these areas from the depredations of Chinese wood-gatherers.

It seems to me that the best method of protecting our trees from destruction is by an increase, if necessary, in the numbers and efficiency of our forest guards, rather than the wholesale prevention of the public from enjoying the innocent pleasure of freely traversing what is after all their own property, especially in such a comparatively restricted area as this Colony, where one already feels a sense of confinement.

Further, a critical examination of the present proposal to make the area in the vicinity of Sheko and Big Wave Bay a prohibited area, and that perfectly innocent picnic parties will be persecuted, makes one pause to think.

In the first place, such tree-cutting as does take place, which is after all by no means extensive, is in the thick plantations near certain large villages such as Aberdeen, Laichikok and Chin Wan. Secondly it is suggested by some that the closing of the district near Sheko and Pig Wave Bay would prevent anyone not a member of the Country Club having access to the bathing beaches of Big Wave Bay and Island Bay, thus making private beaches of the only two decent bathing beaches left in the Island.

It is already scandalous that the Government of Hongkong should apparently have built, at enormous public expense, a road for a small group of privileged individuals, and I hope you and others will, by freely ventilating the matter, prevent the general public from being further victimised.—Yours, etc.,

FAIRPLAY.

Hongkong, Sept. 5, 1927.

RUBBER NEWS.

LATEST DIVIDENDS.

Messrs. Carroll Bros. have been advised of the following dividends on Rubber and Mining shares:—

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HOW MUCH DO YOU KNOW?

The following are the replies to to-day's questions:—

1.—A fifteenth century Italian, one of the greatest artists in paint who has ever lived. He was a pupil of Paolo Uccelli, an artist chiefly noted for his research work in the laws of perspective. 2.—Giotto (1267?-1337). 3.—Anthony Van Dyck (1599-1641). 4.—His precision and minute attention to detail. 5.—Jan Vermeer of Delft (1632-1675); both he and de Hooch were disciples of the school of Rembrandt. 6.—Henri Fantin-Latour (1836-1904). 7.—It was executed in the Institute of France by the Italian artist, Benvenuto Cellini (1500-1571). 8.—A movement permeating the whole of Western Europe, and embodying a revolt against the classic tradition of art. It was an appeal to the emotions rather than to the intellect, in which originality and imagination were given free play. It reached its climax in the early nineteenth century. Its leaders in France were Gericault (1791-1824) and Delacroix (1798-1863). 9.—Raphael (1483-1520). 10.—In the opinion of many, Winslow Homer (1836-1910). 11.—Breughel, Jordnons, Cornelius de Vos, David Teniers, Anthony Van Dyck. 12.—Michael Angelo, who painted the "Delphic Sybil" in the Sistine Chapel, Rome.

NORTH'S DEFEAT CONFIRMED.

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unnecessarily frightened by such falsehoods, and is hereby requested to exercise its judgment and discretion accordingly.

"Furthermore, be it also hereby proclaimed that henceforth all misleading rumour-mongers, when discovered, shall be punished in accordance with the martial law.

By Order,
PEI CHUNG-HSI

WORKERS WARNED.

Evils of Communism.

Shanghai, Aug. 30.

The following circular notice on the labour situation in Shanghai has been sent out by the Unification Committee of the Shanghai Labour Unions.

"As the general condition is very restless at present, all workers should exercise caution when about to go on strike, or they will be subjecting themselves to the influence of reactionaries. We admire those workers who are very prudent in their attitude, but a number of others are light-minded and will go on strike over a trival matter. Such workers will not receive assistance from us. Labourers are aware that Communists are robbing them of their privilege. Over 300,000 labourers have been ruined by the Communists at Hankow, and are out of employment at present. If Communists are found intimidating labourers to go on strike, they should be arrested and handed over to us. We will deal with them rigorously. Please warn all labourers."

UNWANTED "REDS."

Orders for Their Arrest.

Shanghai, Aug. 30.

The police department of the Chinese areas of Shanghai have received special orders from the Nanking Nationalist Government to bring about the arrest of a long list of Communists, said to be in hiding in Shanghai, principally in the International Settlement.

Two Communists whose names are known to the Chinese authorities, have been ordered arrested for having created disturbances at the headquarters of the Kuomintang Party in Cuba. They are also charged with having organized the Tseng Nyi Club for the purpose of creating opposition to the Kuomintang and to have acted as "running dogs" for the Communists in Cuba. These men are reported to be in Shanghai.

The list of men ordered arrested has been sent in Shanghai Chinese authorities and is contained in six groups. The second group contain the names of men wanted for publishing advertisements in newspapers opposing the Nanking Nationalist Government.

Members Expelled.

The third group lists nine men who have been expelled from the Kuomintang and who are alleged to be working in opposition to the organization. The next group lists a number of alleged Communists who are reported to have slandered the Kuomintang Party in Siam.

Group No. 5 reveals the names of certain Chinese who are reported to have supported the manifesto issued by the Communist party in China.

The final group contains the names of several men who are wanted for having supported Communism and for attempts to destroy the Kuomintang Party after having joined the organization.

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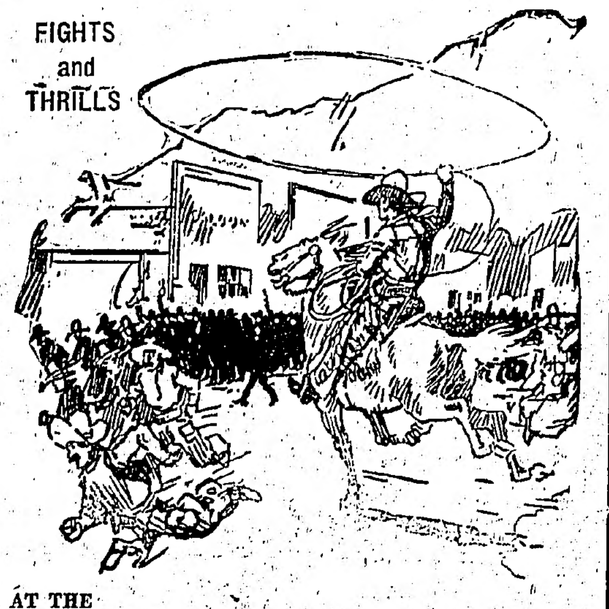

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